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Update Information

The *Coal Market Module of the National Energy Modeling System Model Documentation 2009* has been updated to include major changes to the Coal Market Module modeling structure for the *Annual Energy Outlook 2009*. The changes include:

- Added new explanatory variable to coal pricing model to account for coal mine operating costs other than wages and fuel costs. The new variable is based on the Producer Price Index (PPI) for iron and steel and the PPI for explosives.
- Revised transportation rate multiplier (a.k.a. escalator) methodology
- Revised methodology for adjusting stocks
- Restricted use of medium and high sulfur coal at plants lacking flue gas desulfurization equipment (scrubbers)

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Executive Summary

Purpose of This Report

This report documents the objectives and the conceptual and methodological approach used in the development of the National Energy Modeling System's (NEMS) Coal Market Module (CMM) used to develop the *Annual Energy Outlook 2009 (AEO2009)*. This report catalogues and describes the assumptions, methodology, estimation techniques, and source code of the CMM's two submodules. These are the Coal Production Submodule (CPS) and the Coal Distribution Submodule (CDS).

This document has three purposes. It is a reference document providing a description of the CMM for model analysts and the public. It meets the legal requirement of the Energy Information Administration (EIA) to provide adequate documentation in support of its statistical and forecast reports (Public Law 93-275, Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974, Section 57(B)(1), as amended by Public Law 94-385). Finally, it facilitates continuity in model development by providing documentation from which energy analysts can undertake model evaluations, model enhancements, data updates, and parameter refinements as future goals to improve the quality of the module.

Module Summary

The CMM provides annual forecasts of prices, production, and consumption of coal through 2030 for the NEMS. In general, the CPS provides supply inputs that are integrated by the CDS to satisfy demands for coal received from exogenous demand models. The international component of the CDS forecasts annual world coal trade flows from major supply to major demand regions and provides annual forecasts of U.S. coal exports for input to NEMS. Specifically, the CDS receives minemouth prices produced by the CPS, demand and other exogenous inputs from other NEMS components, and provides delivered coal prices and quantities to the NEMS economic sectors and regions.

Archival Media

Archived as part of the National Energy Modeling System production runs.

Model Contact

Information on individual submodules may be obtained from each submodule Model Contact.

Coal Production Submodule

The CPS generates a different set of supply curves for the CMM for each year in the forecast period. The construction of these curves involves three steps for any given forecast year. First, the CPS calibrates a previously estimated regression model of minemouth prices (see Appendix

1.D) to base-year production and price levels by region, mine type, and coal type. Second, the CPS converts the regression equation into continuous coal supply curves. Finally, the supply curves are converted to step-function form, as required by the CMM's Coal Distribution Submodule, and prices for each step are calibrated to base year data (2007 for the *AEO2009*).

Coal Distribution Submodule

The CDS has two primary functions: 1) determine the least-cost supplies of coal to meet a given set of U.S. coal demands by sector and region; and 2) determine the least-cost supplies of coal to meet a given set of international coal demands by sector and region.

Domestic Coal Distribution

The domestic distribution component of the CDS determines the least cost (minemouth price plus transportation cost plus sulfur and mercury allowance costs) supplies of coal by supply region for a given set of coal demands in each demand sector in each demand region using a linear programming algorithm. The transportation costs are assumed to change over time across all regions and demand sectors. These costs are modified over time in response to projected variations in fuel costs, labor costs, the user cost of capital for transportation equipment, and a time trend. The CDS uses the available data on existing utility coal contracts (tonnage, duration, coal type, origin and destination of shipments) to represent coal under contract up to the contract's expiration date.

International Coal Trade

The international component of the CDS provides annual forecasts of U.S. coal exports and imports in the context of world coal trade for input to NEMS. The model uses 17 coal export regions (including 5 U.S. export regions) and 20 coal import regions (including 4 U.S. import regions) to forecast steam and metallurgical coal flows which are computed by minimizing total delivered cost by a Linear Program (LP) model. The constraints on the LP model are: maximum deliveries from any one export region; sulfur dioxide limits; and international coal supply curves.

Organization of This Report

The report is divided into three sections. The first provides specifics of the CPS, the second described the domestic component of the CDS, and the third section details the international component of the CDS. Within each section, the objectives, assumptions, mathematical structure, and primary input and output variables for each modeling area are described. Descriptions of the relationships within the CMM, as well as the CMM's interactions with other modules of the NEMS integrating system are also provided.

The appendices of each of the three major sections provide supporting documentation for the CMM files. Model abstracts summarizing the features, inputs, and outputs of each model are provided in Appendix A. Within the other Appendices are more detailed descriptions of the CMM input files, parameter estimates, forecast variables, and model outputs. A mathematical description of the computational algorithms used in the respective submodules of the CMM, including model equations and variable transformations, is provided. A bibliography of reference materials used in the development process of each section is also given. Data quality and estimation methods are also described within the Appendices.

List of Acronyms

2SLS:	Two-stage least squares
ACI:	Activated carbon injection
AEO:	Annual Energy Outlook
BOM:	Bureau of Mines
BTU:	British Thermal Unit
CAAA90:	Clean Air Act Amendment of 1990
CDS:	Coal Distribution Submodule
CEUM:	Coal and Electric Utilities Model
CIF:	Cost plus insurance and freight; the FOB cost of coal plus the cost of insurance and freight
CMM:	Coal Market Module
CPS:	Coal Production Submodule
CSTM:	Coal Supply and Transportation Model
CTL:	Coal-to-liquids; references modeled sector in which coal is be converted from a solid to a liquid
DWT:	Deadweight ton (2,240 pounds)
ECP:	Electricity Capacity Planning Submodule
EFD:	Electricity Fuel Dispatch Submodule
EIA:	Energy Information Administration
EMM:	Electricity Market Module
EPA:	Environmental Protection Agency
FERC:	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FOB:	Free on Board
ICR:	Information Collection Request
ICTM:	International Coal Trade Model
IFFS:	Intermediate Future Forecasting System
LP:	Linear program or linear programming
MAM:	Macroeconomic Activity Module
NCM:	National Coal Model
NEMS:	National Energy Modeling System
OLS:	Ordinary Least Squares
OML:	Optimization Management Library (linear programming solver)
PCI:	Pulverized coal injection
PIES:	Project Independence Evaluation System
PPI:	Producer price index
PMM:	Petroleum Market Module
PRB:	Powder River Basin
RAMC:	Resource Allocation and Mine Costing Model
RHS:	Right-hand side of linear programming constraints
SO ₂ :	Sulfur Dioxide
WOCTES:	World Coal Trade Expert System

1. Coal Production Submodule

Introduction

Section 1 of the Coal Market Module documentation report addresses the objectives and the conceptual and methodological approach for the Coal Production Submodule (CPS). This section provides descriptions of the assumptions, methodology, estimation techniques, and source code of the CPS. As a reference document, it facilitates continuity in model development by providing documentation from which energy analysts can undertake model enhancements, data updates, and parameter refinements to improve the quality of the module.

Model Summary

The modeling approach to regional coal supply curve construction discussed here addresses the relationship between the minemouth price of coal and corresponding levels of capacity utilization at mines, productive capacity, labor productivity, wages, fuel costs, other mine operating costs, and a term representing the annual user cost of mining machinery and equipment. These relationships are estimated through the use of a regression model that makes use of regional level data by mine type (underground and surface) for the years 1978 through 2005. The regression equation, together with projected levels of productive capacity, labor productivity, miner wages, fuel prices, and the cost of capital, produces minemouth price estimates for coal by region, mine type, and coal type for different levels of capacity utilization.

The measure used for the price of fuel in the *AEO2009* coal pricing model is based on both the price of electricity to industrial consumers and the price of No. 2 diesel fuel to end users. According to data published by the U.S. Department of Commerce, electricity accounted for 86 percent of the fuel consumption at U.S. underground mines in 2002 on a Btu basis and an estimated 21 percent of the fuel consumption at surface mines.¹ Fuel oil (distillate and residual) accounted for 14 percent of the fuel consumption at underground mines in 2002 and 79 percent of the fuel consumption at surface mines. The data used to calculate these percentages exclude estimated consumption of fuels for which the type of fuel consumed is unknown, and small amounts of other fuels consumed at U.S. coal mines, such as motor gasoline, natural gas, and coal.

The CPS generates a different set of supply curves for the NEMS' Coal Market Module (CMM) for each year in the forecast period. The construction of these curves involves three main steps for any given forecast year. First, the CPS calibrates the regression model to base-year production and price levels by region, mine type, and coal type. Second, the CPS converts the regression equation into coal supply curves. Finally, the supply curves are converted to step-function form and prices for each step are adjusted to the year dollars required by the CMM's Coal Distribution Submodule. The completed supply

¹U.S. Census Bureau, *2002 Census of Mineral Industries, Bituminous Coal and Lignite Surface Mining 2002*, EC902-211-212111(RV) (Washington, DC, December 2004); *Bituminous Coal Underground Mining 2002*, EC02-211-212112(RV) (Washington, DC, December 2004); *Anthracite Mining 2002*, EC02-211-212113 (Washington, DC, October 2004).

curves are input to the Coal Distribution Submodule (CDS), which finds the least cost solution (minemouth price plus transportation cost) of satisfying the projected annual levels of domestic and international coal demand.

Model Archival Citation and Model Contact

The version of the CPS documented in this report is that archived for the forecasts presented in the *Annual Energy Outlook 2008*.

Name: Coal Production Submodule

Acronym: CPS

Archive Package: NEMS2008 (Available from the Energy Information Administration, Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting)

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Organization

Section 1 of this report describes the modeling approach used in the Coal Production Submodule. The following can be found within this section:

- The model objectives, input and output, and relationship to other models
- The theoretical approach, assumptions, and other approaches
- The model structure, including key computations and equations.

An inventory of model inputs and outputs, detailed mathematical specifications, bibliography, and model abstract for the CPS are included in Appendices 1.A to 1.E.

Model Purpose and Scope

Model Objectives

The objective of the CPS is to develop mid-term (to 2030) annual domestic coal supply curves for the Coal Distribution Submodule (CDS) of the Coal Market Module (CMM) of the National Energy Modeling System (NEMS). The supply curves relate annual production to the marginal cost of supplying coal. Separate supply curves are developed for each unique combination of supply region, mine type (surface or underground), and coal type.

The model is part of a larger integrated National Energy Modeling System (NEMS). The NEMS is a comprehensive, policy-oriented modeling system with which existing situations and alternative futures for the U.S. energy system can be described.² A primary NEMS objective is to delineate the energy, economic, and environmental consequences of alternative energy policies by providing forecasts of alternative mid- and long-term energy futures using a unified system of models. Each production, conversion, transportation, and consumption sector is implemented as a module in the NEMS, and supply and demand equilibration among these sectors is achieved through an integrating framework. Annual forecasts are provided through a 25-year horizon. NEMS is capable of providing forecasts of energy-related activities in the United States at the national and regional level. Moreover, the NEMS will provide comprehensive, integrated forecasts for the *Annual Energy Outlook*.

Classification Plan

The CPS contains two major structural elements that categorize U.S. coal supply by region and typology (i.e., parameters that define coal quality and general mining method).

Coal Supply Regions

Fourteen coal supply regions are represented in the CPS. The coal regions are listed in Table 1.1 and shown in Figure 1.1. The coal supply regions represented include States and regions in which prospective changes in coal use are likely to have the greatest market impacts.

The geographical split for the two Wyoming Powder River Basin (PRB) supply regions is primarily based on differences in the average heat content of the coal reserves in these regions. Production from mines in the Wyoming Northern PRB region have a heat content of approximately 16.8 million Btu per ton³ (8,400 Btu per pound), and production from mines in the Wyoming Southern PRB region having a slightly higher heat content of about 17.6 million Btu per ton (8,800 Btu per pound). In developing our base-year (2007) input data for the *AEO2009*, the Wyoming Northern PRB supply region included production from the nine Wyoming PRB coal mines located north of the Jacobs Ranch mine, and the Wyoming Southern PRB region included production from the four southernmost mines in Wyoming's PRB. In addition to heat content, the supply curves for these two regions have slightly different assignments for sulfur and mercury content (see Table 2.1).

²For an overview of the National Energy Modeling System see *The National Energy Modeling System: An Overview 2003*. Energy Information Administration, *The National Energy Modeling System: An Overview 2003* DOE/EIA-0581(2003) (Washington, DC, March 2003).

³Unless otherwise specified, tons refer to short tons (2,000 pounds) throughout this document.

Coal Typology

The model's coal typology includes four thermal and three sulfur grades of coal for surface and underground mining. The four thermal grades correspond generally to the three ranks of coal (bituminous, subbituminous, and lignite) and a premium grade bituminous coal used primarily for metallurgical purposes. The three sulfur grades represented are low, medium, and high. The three sulfur content categories are required to model the regulatory restrictions on SO₂ emissions and to accurately estimate projected levels of SO₂ emissions for the electric power sector. While each of the coal supply curves represented in the CMM are grouped into one of three sulfur grades, actual sulfur content assignments for each curve are based on regional-level data, and, therefore, vary across the supply regions. For example, the average sulfur content of low-sulfur bituminous coal shipments from mines in Central Appalachia in recent years has been about 0.55 pounds per million Btu heat input, while the sulfur content of low-sulfur subbituminous coal shipped from mines in Wyoming's Southern Powder River has averaged less than 0.35 pounds per million Btu heat input. In total, 9 coal types (unique combinations of thermal grade and sulfur content) and 2 mine types (underground and surface) are represented in the CPS (Table 1.1).

For the *AEO2009*, U.S. coal supply is represented through the use of 40 supply curves, reflecting the combination of supply regions, coal types, and mine types (Table 1.1). Because not all coal types are represented in the coal reserve base for each of the 14 supply regions modeled in the CMM, the required number of coal supply curves varies by region. For example, Northern Appalachia is represented with six supply curves, the most of any of the regions, while the Western Interior, Dakota Lignite, and Northwest regions are each represented with a single supply curve. In some instances, the coal reserves base for a region may contain coal types that are not represented in the CMM, generally because the quantity of available reserves is felt to be of an insufficient quantity to model. An example are the small quantities of low-sulfur, bituminous coal reserves that are not modeled for the Northern Appalachian supply region.⁴

The primary data source for U.S. coal reserves is the demonstrated reserve base (DRB) of coal in the United States. Although the DRB was originally developed by the U.S. Bureau of Mines in 1971, the EIA assumed responsibility for the DRB in 1977 and has since maintained and updated the information for this important database.⁵ The two general types of updates performed by the EIA over time have been: 1) annual downward adjustments to estimated coal reserves based on reported production from mines; and 2) regional updates to reserve estimates primarily based on new data from State geological surveys.

⁴ Energy Information Administration, *U.S. Coal Reserves: 1997 Update*, DOE/EIA-0529(97) (Washington, DC, February 1999).

⁵ Energy Information Administration, *Estimation of U.S. Coal Reserves by Coal Type: Heat and Sulfur Content*, DOE/EIA-0529 (Washington, DC, October 1989), p. 5.

Table 1.1. Supply Regions and Coal/Mine Types Used in the NEMS Coal Market Module

Supply Regions	States	Underground Mined Types	Surface Mined Types
Appalachia			
1. "NA"-Northern Appalachia	PA, OH, MD & No. WV	MDP, MDB, HDB	MSB, HSB, HSL
2. "CA"-Central Appalachia	So. WV, VA, East KY, No. TN	MDP, CDB, MDB	CSB, MSB
3. "SA"-Southern Appalachia	AL & So. TN	CDP, CDB, MDB	CSB, MSB
Interior			
4. "EI"-East Interior	West KY, IL, IN & MS	MDB, HDB	MSB, HSB, MSL
5. "WI"-West Interior	IA, MO, KS, AR, OK, TX		HSB
6. "GL"-Gulf Lignite	TX, LA		MSL, HSL
Northern Great Plains			
7. "DL"-Dakota Lignite	ND & East MT		MSL
8. "WM"-Western Montana	West MT	CDS	CSS, MSS
9. "NW"-Northern Wyoming	WY, Northern Powder River Basin		CSS, MSS
10. "SW"-Southern Wyoming	WY, Southern Powder River Basin		CSS
11. "WW"-Western Wyoming	West WY	CDS	CSS, MSS
Other West			
12. "RM"-Rocky Mountain	CO & UT	CDB	CSS
13. "ZN"-Southwest	NM & AZ	MDB	CSB, MSS
14. "AW"-Northwest	AK & WA		MSS

KEY TO COAL TYPE ABBREVIATIONS

SULFUR EMISSIONS CATEGORIES

"C_" - "Low": < = 1.2 lbs SO2 per million Btu

"M_" - "Medium": > 1.2, < = 3.33 lbs SO2 per million Btu

"H_" - "High": > 3.33 lbs SO2 per million Btu

MINE TYPES

"_D_" underground mining

"_S_" surface mining

COAL GRADE OR RANK

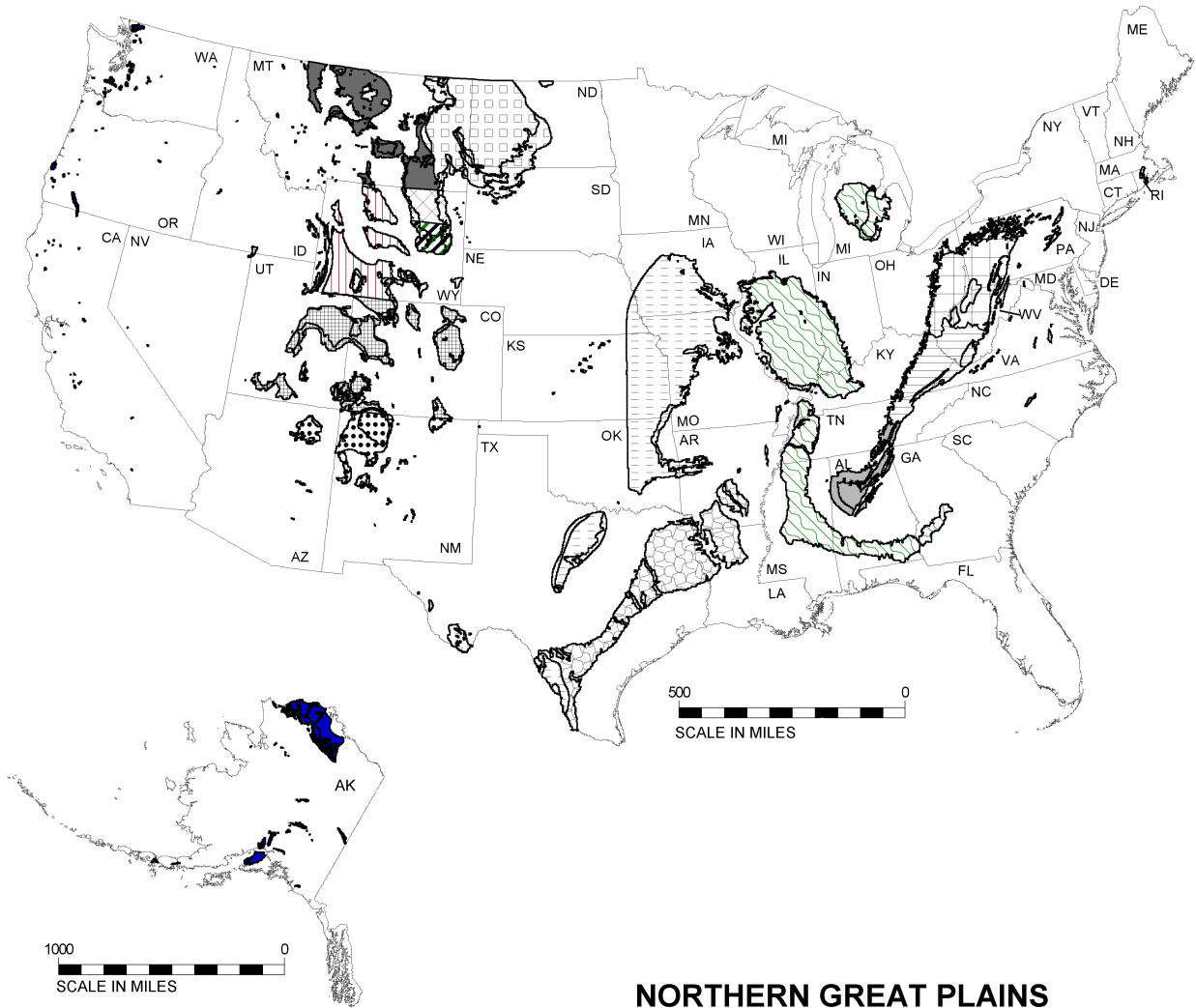
"_P", Premium or metallurgical coal

"_B", Bituminous and anthracite steam coal

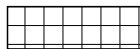


"_S", Subbituminous steam coal

"_L", Lignite, bituminous gob or anthracite culm steam coal

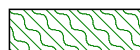

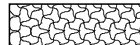
Figure 1.1. Coal Supply Regions



APPALACHIA

-  1. Northern Appalachia
-  2. Central Appalachia
-  3. Southern Appalachia




INTERIOR

-  4. Eastern Interior
-  5. Western Interior
-  6. Gulf Lignite

NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS

-  7. Dakota Lignite
-  8. Western Montana
-  9. Wyoming, Northern Powder River Basin
-  10. Wyoming, Southern Powder River Basin
-  11. Western Wyoming

OTHER WEST

-  12. Rocky Mountain
-  13. Southwest
-  14. Northwest

Source: Energy Information Administration, Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting

Model Inputs and Outputs

Model input requirements are grouped into two categories, as follows:

- User-specified inputs
- Inputs provided by other NEMS modules and submodules

User-specified inputs for the base-year include: capacity utilization at mines, productive capacity, minemouth coal prices, miner wages, labor productivity, cost of mining equipment, and the price of electricity. Other user-specified inputs required for the NEMS forecast years include: annual growth rates for labor productivity and wages, and annual producer price indices for the cost of mining machinery and equipment, iron and steel, and explosives. Inputs obtained from other NEMS modules include coal production for year t-1, the minemouth coal price for years t and t-1, electricity prices, and the real interest rate (Figure 1.2). Appendix 1.C includes a complete list of input variables and specification levels.

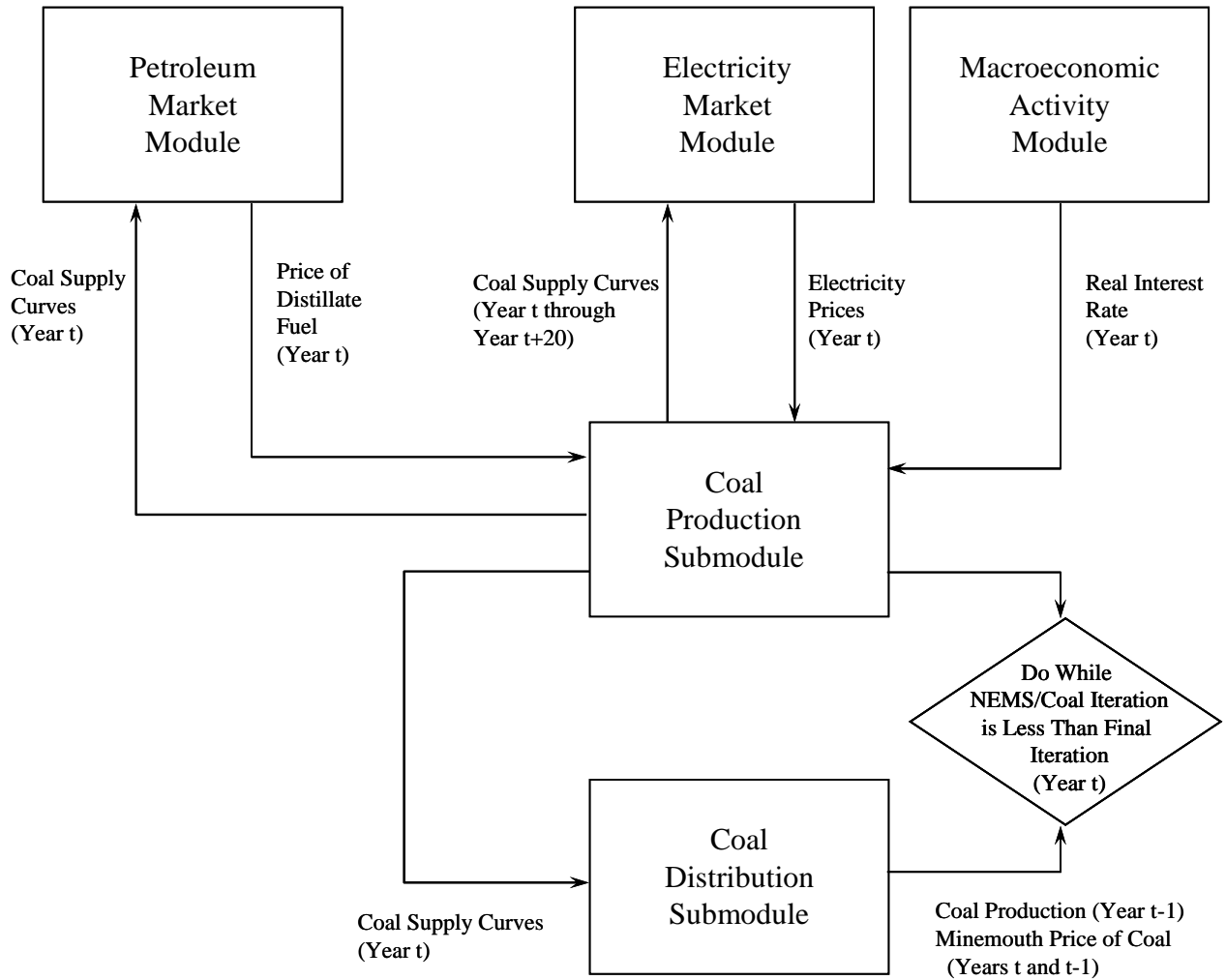
The primary outputs of the model are annual coal supply curves (price/production schedules), provided for each supply region, mine type, and coal type.

Relationship to Other Components of NEMS

The model generates regional mid-term (to 2030) coal supply curves. A distinct set of supply curves is determined for each forecast year. The supply curves are required input to the CDS submodule of the CMM, and the NEMS Electricity and Petroleum Market Modules. The information flow between the model and other components of NEMS is shown in Figure 1.2. Information obtained from the CDS and other NEMS modules is as follows:

- Electricity prices by Census division are obtained from the Electricity Market Module (EMM) in year t
- National-level distillate fuel price is obtained from the Petroleum Market Module (PMM) in year t
- Real interest rate is obtained from the Macroeconomic Activity Module (MAM) in year t
- Coal production by CPS supply curve in year t-1
- Minemouth coal prices by CPS supply curve in years t and t-1

Figure 1.2. Information Flow Between the CPS and Other Components of NEMS



Model Rationale

Theoretical Approach

The purpose of the CPS is to construct a distinct set of coal supply curves for each forecast year in the NEMS. The construction of these curves involves three main steps for any given forecast year. First, the CPS calibrates the regression model to base-year production and price levels by region, mine type, and coal type. Second, the CPS converts the regression equation into coal supply curves. Finally, the supply curves are converted to step-function form for input to the CMM's Coal Distribution Submodule, which finds the least cost solution (minemouth price plus transportation cost) of satisfying the projected annual levels of domestic and international coal demand.

The CPS addresses the relationship between the minemouth price of coal and corresponding levels of capacity utilization at mines, productive capacity, labor productivity, wages, fuel costs, other mine operating costs, and a term representing the annual user cost of mining machinery and equipment. These relationships are estimated through the use of a regression model that makes use of annual historical regional level data. The regression equation, together with projected levels of productive capacity, labor productivity, miner wages, capital costs and fuel prices, produce minemouth price estimates for coal by region, mine type, and coal type for different levels of capacity utilization.

Underlying Rationale

This section presents the econometric model used to produce coal supply curves for the *AEO2009* forecasts. The primary criteria guiding the development of the coal pricing model were that the model should conform to economic theory and that parameter estimates should be unbiased and statistically significant. Following economic theory, an increase in output or factor input prices should result in higher minemouth prices, and increases in coal mining productivity should result in lower minemouth prices. In addition, the model should account for a substantial portion of the variation in minemouth prices over the historical period of study.

Background Discussion and Theoretical Foundation

Between 1978 and 2004, the average mine price of coal in the United States, in constant 2000 dollars, fell from \$47.77 per ton to \$18.34 per ton, a decline of 62 percent (Figure 1.3). During the same period, total U.S. coal production increased by 66 percent, from 670 million tons to 1,112 million tons. The inverse relationship between the production of coal and its price over time is attributable to many factors, including gains in labor productivity and declines in factor input costs. Although minemouth prices and coal mining productivity have remained relatively constant since 1999, both changed significantly in 2005, with the average U.S. minemouth coal price rising by 13 percent and productivity declining by almost 7 percent. Between 2005 and 2007, changes in these two coal industry metrics moderated, with the average minemouth price rising by 4 percent and mining productivity falling by 1 percent.

Productivity has had a profound effect on competition in the U.S. coal industry. Between 1978 and 2004, labor productivity at U.S. mines rose from 1.77 tons per miner hour to 6.80 tons per miner hour, representing an increase of 5.3 percent per year. This growth contributed to a downward shift in costs over time, making additional quantities of coal available at lower prices. A graphical representation of labor productivity and the average price of coal at mines for the unique combinations of region, mine type, and year as represented in the *AEO2009* coal pricing model indicates the strong historical correlation between prices and productivity (Figure 1.4).

Figure 1.3. U.S. Coal Production and Prices, 1978-2007

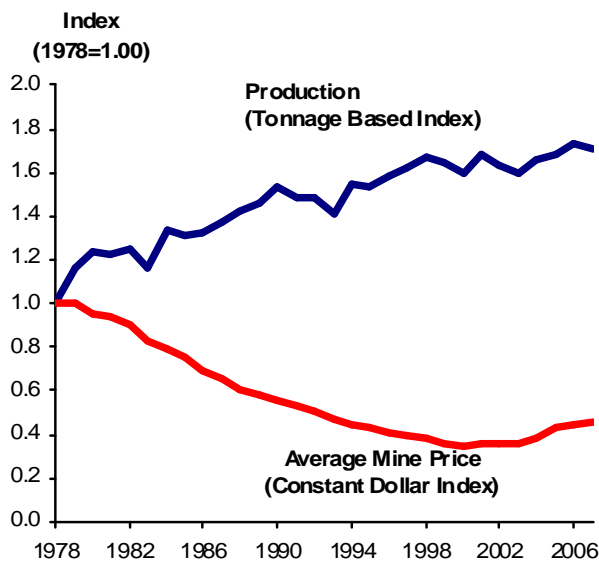
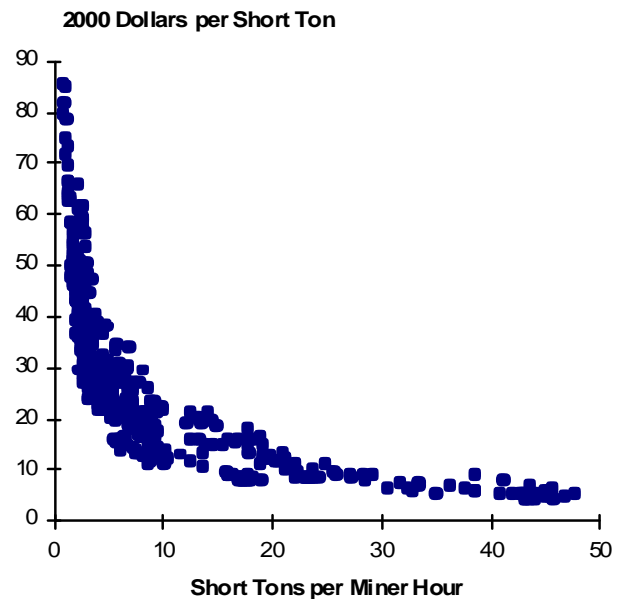


Figure 1.4. Minemouth Coal Prices and Labor Productivity for CMM Regions and Mine Types, 1978-2007



A Model of the Coal Market

The model of the U.S. coal market developed for the CPS recognizes that prices in a competitive market are a function of factors that affect either the supply or demand for coal.⁶ The general form of the model is that a competitive market converges toward equilibrium, where the quantity supplied equals the quantity demanded for region *i* and mining type *j* in year *t*:

$$Q_{i,j,t}^S = Q_{i,j,t}^D = Q_{i,j,t} \tag{1.1}$$

In this equality, $Q_{i,j,t}$ represents the long-run equilibrium between supply and demand for coal in a competitive market.

The formal specification of the coal pricing model for *AEO2009* is as follows. For demand:

$$Q^D = f(P, \text{TRAN}, \text{ELEC}, \text{ELEC_SHARE}, \text{INDUSTRY}, \text{OTHPROD}, \text{EXPORTS}, \text{PGAS}, \tag{1.2}$$

⁶ K. Forbes and C. Minnucci, Science Applications International Corporation, “An Econometric Model of Coal Supply: Final Report,” (unpublished report prepared for the Energy Information Administration, December 20, 1996)

WOP, STOCKS, BTU_TON, SULFUR, ASH) + e^D

Supply:

$$P = f((Q^S/PRODCAP), PRODCAP, TPH, WAGE, PCAP, PFUEL, OTH_OPER) + e^S \quad (1.3)$$

The term “Q^S/PRODCAP” is the average annual capacity utilization at coal mines. Throughout the remaining sections and appendices of Section 1, this term is referred to as “CAPUTIL.”

The demand-side variables are as follows:

Q^D is the quantity of coal demanded from region i, mine type j, in year t in million tons.

TRAN is a producer price index for the costs of transporting coal in region i to the region where it is consumed for each year t. The index is adjusted to constant 1992 dollars.

ELEC is U.S. fossil-fired electricity generation in billion kilowatthours in year t-1.

ELEC_SHARE is the share of total U.S. electricity generation accounted for by generation at fossil-fired power plants in year t-1.

INDUSTRY is U.S. industrial coal consumption (steam and coking) in million short tons for each year t.

OTHPROD is the total U.S. coal production in million tons minus coal production for region i and mine type j for each year t.

EXPORTS is the level of U.S. coal exports in million tons in year t-1.

PGAS is the delivered price of natural gas to the electricity sector in constant 1992 dollars per thousand cubic feet for region i in year t.

WOP is the world oil price in constant 1992 dollars per barrel in year t.

STOCKS is the quantity of coal inventories held by U.S. electric utilities in million tons at the beginning of year t.

BTU_TON is the average heat content of coal receipts at electric utility plants in million Btu per ton for region i and mine type j, in year t.

SULFUR is the average sulfur content of coal receipts at electric utility plants specified as pounds of sulfur per million Btu for region i and mine type j, in year t.

ASH is the average ash content of coal receipts at electric utility plants specified as percent ash by weight for region i and mine type j, in year t.

e^D is a random term representing unaccounted factors in the demand function for region i and mine type j, in year t.

The supply-side variables are as follows:

P is the average minemouth price of coal in constant 1992 dollars per ton for region i and mine type j, in year t.

Q^S is the quantity of coal supplied in million tons from region i, mine type j, in year t.

PRODCAP is the annual coal productive capacity in million tons for region i and mine type j, in year t.

$Q^S/\text{PRODCAP}$ (or CAPUTIL) is the average annual capacity utilization (in percent) at coal mines for region i and mine type j, in year t.

TPH is the average annual labor productivity of coal mines in tons per miner hour for region i and mine type j, in year t.

WAGE is the average hourly coal industry wage in constant 1992 dollars, in year t.

PCAP is the annualized user cost of mining equipment in constant 1992 dollars, for mine type j, in year t.

PFUEL is the weighted average of the price of electricity in the industrial sector and the price of No. 2 diesel fuel to end users (excluding taxes) in 1992 dollars per million Btu for region i, in year t.

OTH_OPER is a constant dollar index representing a measure for mine operating costs other than wages and fuel specified by supply region i, mine type j, in year t. Examples of other operating costs include items such as replacement parts for equipment, roof bolts, and explosives.

e^S is a random term representing unaccounted factors in the supply function for region i and mine type j, in year t.

In this model, the amount of coal demanded from region i and mine type j in year t is determined by the minemouth price of coal, the cost of transporting the coal to market, electricity generation, industrial output, the price of natural gas, the world oil price, the level of coal stocks, and the heat, sulfur and ash content of the coal. On the supply side of the market, the minemouth price is assumed to be determined by the capacity utilization at mines, productive capacity, the level of labor productivity, the average level of wages, the annualized cost of mining equipment, and the cost of fuel used by mines.

Estimation Methodology

The supply function for coal cannot be evaluated in isolation when the relationship between quantity and price is being studied. The solution is to bring the demand function into the picture and estimate the demand and supply functions together. For the *AEO2009* coal pricing model,

the two-stage least squares (2SLS) methodology was selected for estimating the set of simultaneous equations representing the supply and demand for coal.

The rationale for using 2SLS rather than ordinary least squares (OLS) results from the structure of equations (1.2) and (1.3). In equation (1.3), the error term in the supply equation (e^S) affects the minemouth price (P); however, in Equation (1.2), price influences the quantity demanded (Q^D). As a result, the quantity of coal supplied (Q^S) on the right-hand side of the supply equation is correlated with the error term in the same equation. This violates one of the fundamental assumptions underlying the use of OLS, namely, that the error term is independent from the regressors. As a result, the OLS estimator will not be consistent.

In addition, while WAGE, PCAP, PFUEL, OTH_OPER, and TPH are all hypothesized to affect the price of coal, they are also affected by the price of coal. For example, an increase in the price of coal resulting from increased demand for coal may affect the wages paid in the coal industry, the cost of mining equipment, and the price of fuels. Prices may also influence the level of productivity. If prices decrease (increase), marginal mines are abandoned (opened), increasing (lowering) labor productivity. This violates the assumption underlying the use of OLS, making it an inappropriate method by which to estimate the supply function.

An accepted solution to the problem of biased least squares estimators is the use of 2SLS, where the objective is to make the explanatory endogenous variable uncorrelated with the error term.⁷ This is accomplished in two stages. In the first stage of the estimation, the endogenous explanatory variables are regressed on the exogenous and predetermined variables. This stage produces predicted values of the endogenous explanatory variables that are uncorrelated with the error term. The predicted values are employed in the second stage of the technique to estimate the relationship between the dependent endogenous variable and the independent variables. The result from the second-stage (structural) equation represents the model implemented in the CMM for *AEO2009*. The first stage (reduced form) equations are used only to obtain the predicted values for the endogenous explanatory variables included in the second stage, effectively purging the demand effects from the supply-side variables.

The structural equation for the coal pricing model was specified in log-linear form using the variables listed above. In this specification, the values for all variables (except for the constant terms) are transformed by taking their natural logarithm. All observations were pooled into a single regression equation. In addition to the overall constant term for the model, intercept dummy variables were included for all regions except Central Appalachia. Slope dummy variables were included for the productivity and productive capacity variables to allow the coefficients for those terms to vary across regions and mine types. The Durbin-Watson test for first-order positive autocorrelation indicated that the hypothesis of no autocorrelation should be rejected. As a consequence, a correction for serial correlation was incorporated. In addition, a formal test indicated that the null hypothesis of homoskedasticity (the assumption that the errors in the regression equation have a common variance) across regions should be rejected, and, as a result, a weighted regression technique to correct for heteroskedasticity in the error term was employed to obtain more efficient parameter estimates. The statistical results of the regression analysis and the equation used for predicting future levels of minemouth coal prices by region, mine type, and coal type are provided in Appendix 1.D.

In general, the results satisfy the performance criteria specified for the model. Indicative of the high R^2 statistic, there is a close correspondence between the predicted and actual minemouth

⁷ G.S. Maddala, *Introduction to Econometrics: Second Edition* (New York, MacMillan Publishing Company, 1992), 355-403.

prices (a discussion of how the R^2 statistic is calculated in the TSP statistical package is provided in Appendix 1.D). Moreover, all parameter estimates have their predicted signs and are generally statistically significant.

Average annual seam thickness by region and mine type also was tested as a supply-side variable. The model results, however, did not support the hypothesis that decreases (increases) in seam thickness have exerted upward (downward) pressure on prices.

Labor Productivity

Historically, the U.S. coal mining industry has developed or adopted a number of technological changes in each stage of production and achieved economies of scale that have contributed to overall productivity improvements. Examples include mining equipment and materials handling in underground mines, surface mining equipment and methods, equipment monitoring and automation, and mine planning. In the future, the rate at which productivity will advance is dependent on the mix of relatively new technologies that are contributing to the gains, their individual significance in realizing productivity improvement, and their stage in the technology diffusion cycle.

In addition to gradual improvements in mining equipment and techniques, the U.S. coal industry has also experienced the introduction and penetration of fundamentally new mining systems over time. At underground mines examples include the introduction and gradual diffusion of the continuous mining method that began in the 1940's, and, more recently, the introduction and penetration of longwall mining systems that began in this country in the 1960's. Continuous mining saw its share of total U.S. underground production increase from 2 percent in 1951 to 31 percent in 1961. By 1971, the share of continuous mining coal production was 55 percent, and, in 1990, continuous mining accounted for 64 percent of total underground production.⁸ Similarly longwall mines saw their share of total underground production increase from less than 1 percent in 1966, to 4 percent in 1976, and to approximately 16 to 20 percent by 1982.⁹ Recent data collected by EIA showed continuing penetration of the longwall mining technique in the U.S. coal industry for another two decades, with this mining technique's share of underground production rising to 29 percent in 1990 and to a peak of 53 percent in 2002.¹⁰ For the future, it's likely that additional penetration of the longwall mining technique will be limited by a number of factors, such as concerns about surface subsidence and reduced availability of new sites with appropriate geologic characteristics and reserve blocks. The fragmentation of reserves and relatively thin coal seams of Central Appalachia are key factors underlying the recent decline in longwall production in this major supply region, where its share of underground production has dropped from a peak of 22 percent in 2002 to 10 percent in 2007. For surface mines, the size and capacity of the various types of equipment used (including shovels, draglines, front-end loaders, and trucks) has gradually increased over time, leading to steady growth in the average productivity of these mines.

Whether technological change represents improvements to existing technologies or fundamental changes in technology systems, the change has a substantial impact on productivity and costs. With few exceptions, transition in the coal industry to new technology has been gradual, and the

⁸ J. I. Rosenberg, et. al., *Manpower for the Coal Mining Industry: An Assessment of Adequacy through 2000*, prepared for the U.S. Department of Energy (Washington, DC, March 1979).

⁹ Paul C. Merritt, "Longwalls Having Their Ups and Downs," *Coal*, MacLean Hunter (February 1992), pp. 26-27.

¹⁰ Energy Information Administration (EIA), *Coal Data: A Reference*, DOE/EIA-0064(90) (Washington, DC, November 1991), p. 10; and EIA, Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report..."

effect on productivity and cost also has been gradual.¹¹ The gradual introduction of new technology development is expected to continue during the NEMS forecasting horizon. Potential technology improvements in underground mining during the next several years include larger motors and improved designs of longwall shearers and continuous miners, larger conveyor motors and belt sizes for coal haulage, overall improvements in the design of underground coal haulage systems, better diagnostic monitoring of production equipment for preventative maintenance via the use of sensors and computers, and more precise control of longwall shearers and shields through the use of computer-supported equipment.¹²

Potential improvements in surface mining technology include the increased utilization of on-board computers for equipment monitoring, the increased use of blast casting for overburden removal, and the continuation in the long-term trend toward higher capacity equipment (e.g., larger bucket sizes for draglines and loading shovels and larger trucks for overburden and coal haulage).

Technological developments during the NEMS time horizon are expected to consist of incremental improvements to existing technology rather than the introduction of new technologies. Because of the complexity in representing explicitly in the model the cost impact of each potential technology improvement, the effect of incremental technology change is captured indirectly through its estimated net effect on labor productivity. Since technology developments in the mining industry reduce costs primarily by impacting productivity, exogenous estimates of labor productivity that reflect the estimated net effect of technological improvement are provided to the model in each forecast year. Separate estimates are input to the model for each region and mining method. The cost effect of the labor productivity change for each succeeding year is determined using the coal-pricing regression model which incorporates both regional and mine type coefficients. In each forecast year, the regression model determines the change in cost due to the changes in labor productivity and the costs of factor inputs. This calculation is based on exogenous productivity forecasts together with forecasts of the various factor input costs. The costs of factor inputs to mining operations captured by the model include projected and estimated changes in real labor costs, real electricity and diesel fuel prices, other mine operating costs, and the annualized cost of capital over the forecast period.

¹¹ Perhaps the most notable exception has been the dramatic, on-going rise in longwall productivity, following rapidly on the heels of the introduction of a new generation of longwall equipment in the last decade. Between 1986 and 1990, longwall productivity nearly doubled, and although this increase should not be attributed solely to the improvements in longwall technology, the introduction and rapid penetration of the new longwall equipment was unquestionably a major contributing factor.

¹² S. Fiscor, "U.S. Longwall Census 2008," *Coal Age* (February 2009) and prior issues; E.J. Flynn, "Impact of Technological Change and Productivity on the Coal Market," *Issues in Midterm Analysis and Forecasting 2000*, Energy Information Administration, EIA/DOE-0607(2000) (Washington, DC, July 2002); S.C. Suboleski, et. al., *Central Appalachia: Coal Mine Productivity and Expansion (EPRI Report Series on Low-Sulfur Coal Supplies)* (Palo Alto, CA: Electric Power Research Institute (Publication Number IE-7117), September 1991).

Model Structure

This chapter discusses the modeling structure and approach used by the CPS to construct coal supply curves. The chapter provides a general description of the model, including a discussion of the key relationships and procedures used for constructing the supply curves. A detailed mathematical description of the CPS, showing the estimating equations and the sequence of computations, is provided in Appendix 1.B.

The model constructs a distinct set of supply curves for each forecast year in three separate steps, as follows (see Figure 1.5):

Step 1: Calibrate the regression model to base-year production and price levels by region, mine type and coal type

Step 2: Convert regression equation to continuous-function supply curves

Step 3: Construct step-function supply curves for input to the CDS

Step 1: Model Calibration

To calibrate the model to the most recent historical data, a constant value is added to the regression equation for each CPS supply curve. Thus, when using the base year values of the independent variables, the model solution will equal the base year price as input by the user.

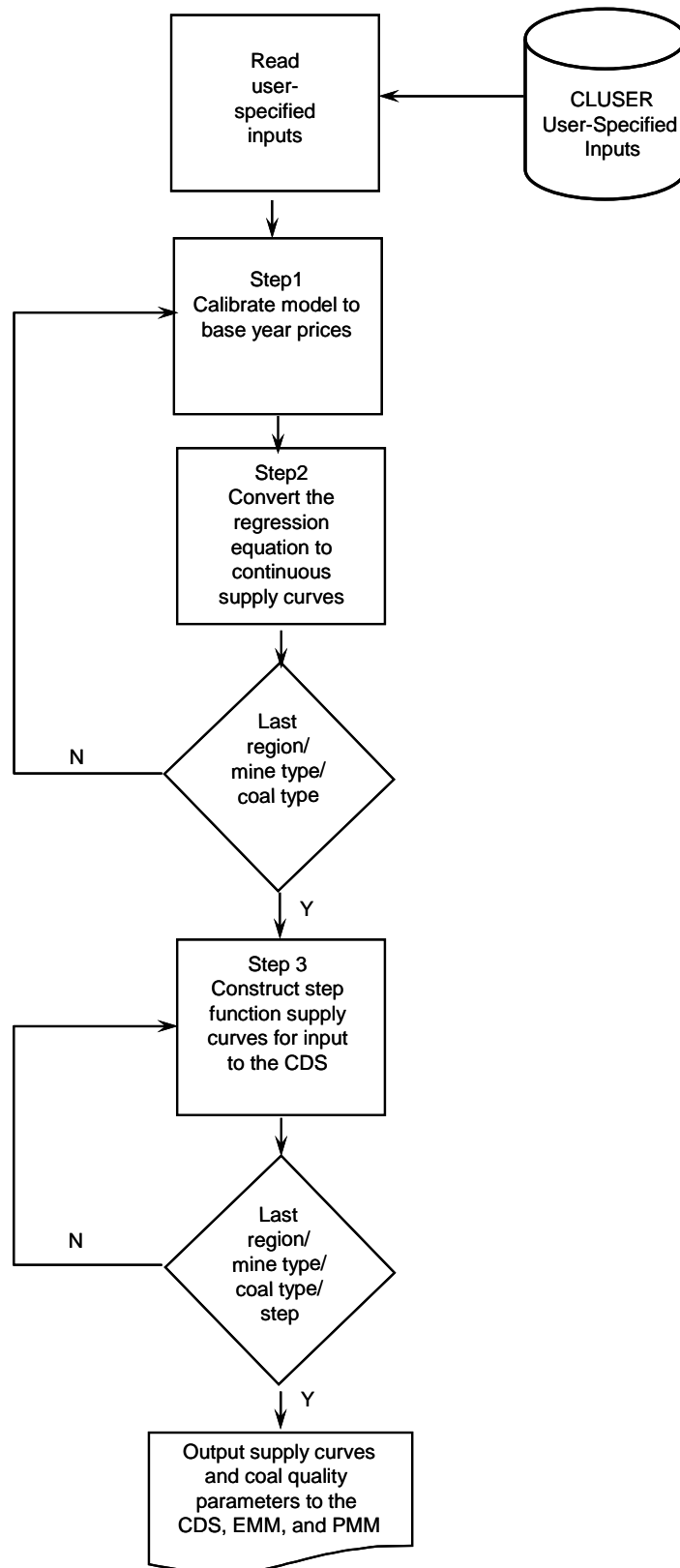
The calibration constants are automatically computed as part of a NEMS run. First, the coal-pricing equation is solved using the base year values for the independent variables. Second, this estimated price is then subtracted from the actual base-year price input by the user. For calibration purposes the simplifying assumption is made that the lagged values of the independent variables (used in those terms of the equation needed to correct for autocorrelation) are the same as the base year values. This assumption obviates the need to provide the model with two years of base data, and is believed to yield a reasonable approximation of the “true” calibration constant.

Step 2: Convert Regression Equation to Continuous Supply Curves

A regression equation is used to estimate the relationship between minemouth prices and the projected or assumed values of production, productivity, wages, capital costs, and fuel prices. A distinct supply curve is developed for each combination of region, mine type, and coal type. For the *AEO2009*, the CPS generated a set of 40 separate coal supply curves (see Table 1.1) for each year of the NEMS forecast period.

Following initial base year calibration, the regression equations must be converted into supply curves in which price is represented as a function of production alone. This is accomplished by consolidating all of the non-capacity utilization terms in the regression equation into a single

Figure 1.5. CPS Flowchart



multiplier, computed using the forecast year values of the independent variables. The value of the multiplier is computed by solving the regression equation with the capacity utilization term excluded and all other independent variables equal to their forecast year values. A separate value of the multiplier is computed for each region, mine type, and coal type. Some of the required forecast year values of the various independent variables are supplied endogenously by other NEMS modules, while others, including labor productivity, the average coal industry wage, and the PPI (producer price index) for mining machinery and equipment, steel and iron, and explosives are provided as user inputs. Two different PPI series are used to represent costs of mining equipment: one representing equipment used primarily at underground mines and a second representing equipment used primarily at surface mines.

It should be noted that the subroutine also contains code, currently “commented out,” which allows the user to compute the wage values based on inputs from the macroeconomic model; however, currently future wages are computed based on input data from the CLUSER file.

In the CPS, labor productivity is used as a way of capturing the effects of technological improvements on mining costs, in lieu of representing explicitly the cost impact of each potential, incremental technology improvement. In general, technological improvements affect labor productivity as follows: (1) technological improvements reduce the costs of capital; (2) the reduced capital costs lead to substitution of capital for labor; and (3) more capital per miner results in increased labor productivity. As determined by the econometric-based coal-pricing model developed for the CPS, increases in labor productivity translate into lower mining costs on a per-ton basis. Using this approach, exogenous estimates of labor productivity are provided to the CPS for each year of the forecast period. Separate estimates are developed as inputs to the submodule for each region and mining method.

Step 3: Construct Step-Function Supply Curves

The CDS is formulated as a linear program (LP) and cannot directly use the supply curves generated by CPS regression model, whose functional form is logarithmic. Rather, the CDS requires step-function supply curves for input. Using an initial target quantity and percent variations from that quantity, an 11-step curve is constructed as a subset of the full CPS supply curve and is input to the CDS. For each supply curve and year, the CMM uses an iterative approach to find the target quantity that creates the optimal 11-step supply curve given the projected level of demand. The user can vary the length of the steps, and, subsequently, the vertical distances between the steps, by making adjustments to the percent variations from the target quantity via input parameters contained in the CLUSER input file. The selection of step-lengths for the *AEO2009* is based primarily on the premise that the model solution will lie close to the target quantity supplied by the CDS. As a result, the variation from the target quantity is fairly tight on the middle five to seven steps of the curve. The outer four steps are primarily there to assure that there is sufficient supply on the step-function curve to meet any substantial swings in coal demand that might result within a single iteration of NEMS.

The method by which these step-function curves are constructed is as follows. First, the CPS computes 11 quantities by multiplying the target quantity, obtained from the CDS, by the 11 user-specified scalars obtained from the CLUSER input file. The model then computes the prices corresponding to each of the 11 quantities, using the supply curve equations. Finally, prices for each step are adjusted to the year dollars required by the CDS using the GDP chain-type price index supplied by the NEMS Macroeconomic Activity Module. The resulting production and

price values are used by the CDS to determine the least cost supplies of coal for meeting the projected levels of annual coal demand.

Appendix 1.A

Submodule Abstract

Model Name: Coal Production Submodule

Model Acronym: CPS

Description: Produces supply-price relationships for 14 coal producing regions, 9 coal types (unique combinations of thermal grade and sulfur content) and 2 mine types (underground and surface) addressing the relationship between the minemouth price of coal and corresponding levels of capacity utilization at coal mines, annual productive capacity, labor productivity, wages, fuel costs, other mine operating costs, and a term representing the annual user cost of mining machinery and equipment. The model serves as a major component in the National Energy Modeling System (NEMS). In the CPS, coal types are defined as unique combinations of thermal and sulfur content. This differs slightly from the NEMS Coal Distribution Submodule, where coal types are defined as unique combinations of thermal content, sulfur content, and mine type.

Purpose of the Model: The purpose of the model is to produce annual domestic coal supply curves for the mid-term (to 2030) for the Coal Distribution Submodule of the Coal Market Module of the NEMS.

Model Update Information: December 2008

Part of Another Model?: Yes, part of the:

- Coal Market Module
- National Energy Modeling System

Model Interface: The model interfaces with the following models:

- Coal Distribution Submodule
- Electricity Market Module
- Macroeconomic Activity Module
- Petroleum Market Module

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Documentation:

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Energy System Described by the Model: Estimated coal supply at various f.o.b. mine costs.

Coverage:

- **Geographic:** Supply curves for 14 geographic regions
- **Time Unit/Frequency:** 1995 through 2030
- **Product(s):** 9 coal types (unique combinations of thermal and sulfur content) and 2 mine types (underground and surface)
- **Economic Sector(s):** Coal producers and importers.

Modeling Features:

- **Model Structure:** The CPS employs a regression model to estimate price-supply relationships for underground and surface coal mines by region and coal type, using projected levels of capacity utilization at coal mines, annual productive capacity, productivity, miner wages, capital costs of mining equipment, fuel prices, and other variable mine supply costs.
- **Modeling Technique:** Three main steps are involved in the construction of coal supply curves:
 - Calibrate the regression model to base-year production and price levels by region, mine type (underground and surface), and coal type
 - Convert the regression equation into supply curves
 - Construct step-function supply curves for input to the CDS
- **Model Interfaces:** Coal Distribution Submodule, Electricity Market Module, Macroeconomic Activity Module, and the Petroleum Market Module.
- **Input Data:** Base year values for U.S. coal production, capacity utilization, productive capacity, productivity, and prices. Base year electricity prices and wages. Heat, sulfur, and mercury content averages, and carbon emission factors by supply curve. Projections of labor productivity, wages, the PPI's for mining machinery and equipment, iron and steel, and explosives.

- **Data Sources:** DOE data sources: Energy Information Administration: EIA-3, EIA-5, EIA-6A, EIA-7A, and EIA-423 databases. Energy Information Administration, *Electric Power Annual 2007*, DOE/EIA-0348(2007) (Washington, DC, January 2009); *Petroleum Marketing Annual 2007*, DOE/EIA-0487(2007) (Washington, DC, August 2008); and *State Energy Data System, Consumption, Price, and Expenditure Estimates* (Washington, DC, November 2008), web site www.eia.doe.gov. Non-DOE data sources: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, FERC-423 database. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Average Hourly Earnings of Production Workers (Coal Mining), Series ID's: EEU10120006; CEU1021210006; PPI for Mining Machinery and Equipment, Series ID: PCU333131333131; and PPI for Construction Machinery, Series ID: PCU333120333120; PPI for Iron and Steel, Series ID: WPU101; and PPI for Explosives: Series ID: WPU067902. Global Insight, Yield on Utility Bonds. U.S. Census Bureau, *2002 Census of Mineral Industries, Bituminous Coal and Lignite Surface Mining: 2002*, EC02-211-212111(RV) (Washington DC, December 2004), *Bituminous Coal Underground Mining: 2002*, EC02-211-212112(RV) (Washington DC, December 2004), and *Anthracite Mining: 2002*, EC02-211-212113 (Washington DC, October 2004).

Computing Environment: See *Integrating Module of the National Energy Modeling System*

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Status of Evaluation Efforts Conducted by Model Sponsor: The Coal Production Submodule (CPS) was developed for the National Energy Modeling System (NEMS) during the 1992-1993 period and revised in subsequent years. The version described in this abstract was used in support of the *Annual Energy Outlook 2009*.

Independent expert reviews of the Coal Market Modules (CMM's) *Annual Energy Outlook 2002* and *Annual Energy Outlook 2003* coal forecasts were conducted in August 2002 and June 2003, respectively, by Energy Ventures Analysis, Inc. (EVA) and the PA Consulting Group.

Appendix 1.B

Detailed Mathematical Description of the Model

This appendix provides a detailed description of the model, including a specification of the model's equations and procedures for constructing the supply curves. The appendix describes the model's order of computations and main relationships. The model is described in the order in which distinct processing steps are executed in the program. These steps are as follows:

Step 1: Calibrate the regression model to base-year production and price levels by region, mine type, and coal type

Step 2: Convert the regression equation into supply curves

Step 3: Construct step-function supply curves for input to the CDS

Indices

i	=	supply region
j	=	mining method (surface or underground)
k	=	coal type
t	=	year
by	=	base year (for the <i>AEO2009</i> , the base year was 2007)
z	=	individual step on the step-function supply curves generated by the CPS for input to the Coal Distribution Submodule

Step 1: Initial Calibration

Prior to the processing of inputs, the model calibrates the regression equation to current price levels. First, the equation for the CPS pricing model is used to calculate the minemouth price of coal for the base year as shown in equation 1.B-1. EXP represents the exponential function.

$$P_{i,j,k,by} = \{ \text{EXP} [(A + i,1) * (1 - i,13)] \} * [\text{TPH}_{i,j,t=1}^{(\text{TPHBM} * (1 - i,13))}] * \quad (1.B-1)$$

$$\text{CAPUTIL_HIST}_{i,j,k} [4 - (4 * \text{CU_BY_SC}) * (1 - i,13)] * [\text{PROD_CAP_ADJ}_{i,j,k} ((2 + j,3) * (1 - i,13))] *$$

$$[\text{PRI_ADJ}_{i,j,k} (- i,13)] * \text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,by} (2 + j,3) * \text{CAPUTIL}_{i,j,k,by} (4 * \text{CU_BY_SC}) *$$

$$\text{TPH}_{i,j,by} ((5 + (k * \text{SE})) + i,6 + j,7 + i,8) * \text{WAGE}_{by} j,9 * \text{PCAP}_{j,by} i,10 * \text{PFUEL}_{i,by} i,11 *$$

$$\text{OTH_OPER}_{i,j,by} i,12 * P_{i,j,k,by} i,13 * \text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,by} (- i,13 * (2 + j,3)) *$$

$$\text{CAPUTIL}_{i,j,k,by} (- i,13 * 4 * \text{CU_BY_SC}) * \text{TPH}_{i,j,by} (- i,13 * ((5 + (k * \text{SE})) + i,6 + j,7 + i,8)) *$$

$$\text{WAGE}_{by} (- i,13 * j,9) * \text{PCAP}_{j,by} (- i,13 * i,10) * \text{PFUEL}_{i,by} (- i,13 * i,11) * \text{OTH_OPER}_{i,j,by} (- i,13 * i,12)$$

where $CU_BY_SC = (CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,by} / CAPUTIL_HIST_{i,j,k})$

Variables

$P_{i,j,k,by}$	- average annual minemouth price of coal for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k, computed from the regression equation using base year values of the independent variables
A	- overall constant term for the model
TPHBM	- benchmark factor used for calibrating the coal pricing equation to the actual value of the minemouth coal price in year one of the forecast period
PROD_CAP_ADJ _{i,j,k}	- Factor used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the levels of productive capacity used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by mine type and coal type
PRI_ADJ _{i,j,k}	- Factor used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the minemouth coal prices used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by mine type and coal type
PRODCAP _{i,j,k,by}	- annual productive capacity of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k for the base year
CAPUTIL _{i,j,k,by}	- annual capacity utilization (the ratio of annual production to annual productive capacity) of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k for the base year (modeled as a percentage)
TPH _{i,j,by}	- coal mine labor productivity for supply region i and mine type j for the base year
WAGE _{by}	- average annual wage for coal miners for the base year
PCAP _{j,by}	- index for the annual user cost of capital for mine type j, for the base year
PFUEL _{i,by}	- weighted annual average of the electricity price and the diesel fuel price for supply region i for the base year
OTH_OPER	- constant dollar index representing a measure for mine operating costs other than wages and fuel costs specified for supply region i and mine type j for the base year
$P_{i,j,k,by}$	- average minemouth price of coal for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k for the base year
CAPUTIL_HIST _{i,j,k}	- representative coal-mine capacity utilization for the time period over which the coal pricing model is estimated for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k
CU_BY_SC	- scalar used to adjust regression coefficient for the capacity utilization term for levels of average coal-mine capacity utilization that lie outside the range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model's historical database - exponent representing the theoretical functional form of the capacity utilization term for levels of capacity utilization that are outside the range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model database (for the <i>AEO2009</i> , this term was set at 3.0)

Regression Coefficients

A	overall constant for the model
_{i,1}	for the intercept dummy variables for each supply region i
₂	for the productive capacity term
_{j,3}	for the productive capacity term by mine type j
₄	for the capacity utilization term
₅	for the labor productivity term
_{i,6}	for the labor productivity term by supply region i

- $j,7$ for the labor productivity term by mine type j
- $i,j,8$ for the labor productivity term by supply region i and mine type j
- $j,9$ for the labor cost term by mine type j
- 10 for the user cost of capital term
- 11 for the fuel price term
- 12 for the other mine operating costs term
- 13 for the first-order autocorrelation term

For calibration purposes, base year values of productive capacity, capacity utilization, productivity, labor costs, the fuel price, capital costs, and the average minemouth price are provided as inputs to the equation. Using these base year values, the regression equation is solved for each CPS supply region, mining method, and coal type. Note that for calibration purposes the simplifying assumption is made that the lagged values of the independent variables (used in those terms of the equation needed to correct for autocorrelation) are the same as the base year values. This assumption obviates the need to provide the model with two years of base data, and is believed to yield a reasonable approximation of the “true” calibration constant.

As shown in equation 1.B-2, the calibration constants are determined as the difference between the minemouth price of coal ($P_{i,j,k,by}$) calculated with the CPS pricing equation using base year values for the independent variables and the corresponding base year mine price of coal ($BYP_{i,j,k}$), which is an input to the CLUSER file.

$$CAL_FACTOR_{i,j,k} = (BYP_{i,j,k} - P_{i,j,k,by}) \tag{1.B-2}$$

where

- $CAL_FACTOR_{i,j,k}$ - constant added to the regression equation for each supply region i , mine type j , and coal type k to calibrate the model to current price levels
- $BYP_{i,j,k}$ - average base year mine price for region i , mine type j , and coal type k
- $P_{i,j,k,by}$ - price computed from regression equation using base year values of the independent variables, for region i , mine type j , and coal type k for the base year

The calibration constants thus calculated are used to make vertical adjustments to each CPS supply curve. Thus, when using the base year values of the independent variables, the model solution will equal the base year price as specified in the CLUSER file.

Step 2: Convert the Regression Equation into Supply Curves

Following initial base year calibration, the regression equations must be converted into supply curves in which price is represented as a function of production alone. This is accomplished by consolidating all of the non-production terms in the regression equation into a single multiplier ($K_{i,j,k}$), computed using the forecast year values of the independent variables as shown in equation 1.B-3.

$$K_{i,j,k,t} = \{EXP [(A + i,1) * (1 - 13)]\} * [TPH_{i,j,t=1}^{(TPHBM * (1 - 13))}] * \tag{1.B-3}$$

$$CAPUTIL_HIST_{i,j,k} [4 - (4 * CU_FY_SC)] * (- 13) *$$

$$[PROD_CAP_ADJ_{i,j,k} ((2 + j,3) * (1 - 13))] * [PRI_ADJ_{i,j,k} (- 13)] * PRODCAP_{i,j,k,t} (2 + j,3) *$$

$$TPH_{i,j,t}^{((5 + (k * SE)) + i,6 + j,7 + i,j,8)} * WAGE_{t,j,9} * PCAP_{j,t,10} * PFUEL_{i,t,11} * OTH_OPER_{i,j,t,12} * P_{i,j,k,t-1,13} * PRODCAP_{i,j,k,t-1}^{(-13 * (2 + j,3))} * CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,t-1}^{(-13 * 4 * CU_FY_SC)} * TPH_{i,j,t-1}^{(-13 * ((5 + (k * SE)) + i,6 + j,7 + i,j,8))} * WAGE_{t-1,13 * j,9} * PCAP_{j,t-1}^{(-13 * 10)} * PFUEL_{i,t-1}^{(-13 * 11)} * OTH_OPER_{i,j,t-1}^{(-13 * 12)}$$

where:

$$CU_FY_SC = (CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,t-1} / CAPUTIL_HIST_{i,j,k})$$

Variables

$K_{i,j,k,t}$	- annual multiplier, specified by supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k, calculated by solving the CPS coal pricing equation for production equal to zero for year t equal to zero and all other independent variables set equal to their forecast year values (for years t and t-1)
A	- overall constant term for the model
TPHBM	- benchmark factor used for calibrating the coal pricing equation to the actual value of the minemouth coal price in year one of the forecast period
PROD_CAP_ADJ _{i,j,k}	- factor used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the levels of productive capacity used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by mine type and coal type
PRI_ADJ _{i,j,k}	- factor used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the minemouth coal prices used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by mine type and coal type
PRODCAP _{i,j,k,t}	- annual productive capacity of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t
TPH _{i,j,t}	- coal mine labor productivity for supply region i, mine type j, and year t
WAGE _t	- average annual wage for coal miners in year t
PCAP _{j,t}	- index for the annual user cost of capital for mine type j, in year t
PFUEL _{i,t}	- weighted annual average of the electricity price and the diesel fuel price for supply region i and year t
OTH_OPER _{i,j,t}	- constant dollar index representing a measure for mine operating costs other than wages and fuel costs specified for supply region i and mine type j, in year t
$P_{i,j,k,t-1}$	- average minemouth price of coal for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t-1, as determined in the final NEMS iteration for year t-1
PRODCAP _{i,j,k,t-1}	- annual productive capacity of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t-1
CAPUTIL _{i,j,k,t-1}	- average annual capacity utilization (the ratio of annual production to annual productive capacity) of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t-1 (modeled as a percentage)
TPH _{i,j,t-1}	- coal mine labor productivity for supply region i, mine type j, and year t-1
WAGE _{t-1}	- average annual wage for coal miners in year t-1
PCAP _{j,t-1}	- index for the annual user cost of capital for mine type j, in year t-1
PFUEL _{i,t-1}	- weighted annual average of the electricity price and the diesel fuel price for supply region i in year t-1
OTH_OPER _{i,j,t-1}	- constant dollar index representing a measure for mine operating costs other than

CAPUTIL_HIST _{i,j,k}	wages and fuel costs specified for supply region i and mine type j, in year t-1 - representative coal-mine capacity utilization for the time period over which the coal pricing model is estimated for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k
CU_FY_SC	- scalar used to adjust regression coefficient for the capacity utilization term for levels of average coal-mine capacity utilization that lie outside the range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model's historical database - exponent representing the theoretical functional form of the capacity utilization term for levels of capacity utilization that are outside the range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model database (for the <i>AEO2009</i> , this term was set at 3.0)

Regression Coefficients (values provided in Table 1.D-1)

- A overall constant for the model
- i,1 for the intercept dummy variables for each supply region i
 - 2 for the productive capacity term
 - j,3 for the productive capacity term by mine type j
 - 4 for the capacity utilization term
 - 5 for the labor productivity term
 - i,6 for the labor productivity term by supply region i
 - j,7 for the labor productivity term by mine type j
 - i,j,8 for the labor productivity term by supply region i and mine type j
 - j,9 for the labor cost term by mine type j
 - 10 for the user cost of capital term
 - 11 for the fuel price term
 - 13 for the first-order autocorrelation term

A separate value of $K_{i,j,k,t}$ is computed for each region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t. Some of the required forecast year values of the various independent variables are supplied endogenously by other NEMS modules (see Figure 2), while others, including labor productivity, the average coal industry wage, and the PPI (producer price index) for mining machinery and equipment, are provided as user inputs.

Incorporating the calibration constant and the production term, the CPS supply curves take on the following form (equation 1.B-4):

$$P_{i,j,k,t} = \text{CAL_FACTOR}_{i,j,k} + [K_{i,j,k,t} * \text{CAPUTIL}_{i,j,k,t}^{-4}] \quad (1.B-4)$$

where

- RMP_{i,j,k,t} - minemouth price of coal by supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k computed as a function of output ($Q_{i,j,k,t}$)
- CAL_FACTOR_{i,j,k} - constant added to the regression equation for each supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k to calibrate the model to current price levels
- $K_{i,j,k,t}$ - annual multiplier, specified by supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k, calculated by solving the CPS coal pricing equation for production equal to zero for year t equal to zero and all other independent variables set equal to their forecast-year values (for years t and t-1)
- CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,t} - average annual capacity utilization (the ratio of annual production to annual productive capacity) of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t (modeled as a percentage)
- 4 - regression coefficient for the capacity utilization term

Step 3: Construct Step-Function Supply Curves for Input to the CDS

The CDS is formulated as a linear program (LP) and cannot directly use the supply curves generated by CPS regression model, whose functional form is logarithmic. Rather, the CDS requires step-function supply curves for input. Using an initial target quantity and percent variations from that quantity, an 11-step curve is constructed as a subset of the full CPS supply curve and is input to the CDS. For each supply curve and year, the CMM uses an iterative approach to find the target quantity that creates the optimal 11-step supply curve given the projected level of demand. The user can vary the length of the steps, and, subsequently, the vertical distances between the steps, by making adjustments to the percent variations from the target quantity via input parameters contained in the CLUSER input file.

The method by which these step-function curves are constructed is as follows. First, the CPS computes 11 quantities corresponding to fixed percentages of a target quantity obtained from the CDS. The model then computes the production corresponding to each of the 11 quantities, using the supply curve equations.

Equation 1.B-5 shows the CPS equation used for generating the prices for the step-function supply curves.

$$P_{i,j,k,z,t} = \text{CAL_FACTOR}_{i,j,k} + [K_{i,j,k,t} * \text{CAPUTIL_HIST}_{i,j,k}^{(4 - (4 * \text{CU_STEP_SC}))} * (Q_{i,j,k,z,t} / \text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,t})^{(4 * \text{CU_STEP_SC})}] \quad (1.B-5)$$

where

$$\text{CU_STEP_SC} = ((Q_{i,j,k,z,t} / \text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,t}) / \text{CAPUTIL_HIST}_{i,j,k})$$

Variables

$P_{i,j,k,z}$	- price associated with step z for region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t specified as a percent variation from the target price.
$C_{i,j,k}$	- calibration constant for each supply curve
$Q_{i,j,k,z}$	- production associated with step z for region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t (the target quantity is obtained from the CLUSER file for year one of the forecast period and from the CDS for all remaining years of the forecast period)
$K_{i,j,k,t}$	- regression coefficient for the capacity utilization term
$\text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,t}$	- multiplier for the non-production terms in the regression equation
$\text{CAPUTIL_HIST}_{i,j,k}$	- annual productive capacity of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t
CU_STEP_SC	- representative coal-mine capacity utilization for the time period over which the coal pricing model is estimated for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k
	- scalar used to adjust regression coefficient for the capacity utilization term for levels of average coal-mine capacity utilization that lie outside the range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model's historical database
	- exponent representing the theoretical functional form of the capacity utilization term for levels of capacity utilization that are outside the range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model database (for the <i>AEO2009</i> , this term was set at 3.0)

The scalar for the capacity utilization term reflects the basic premise that mining costs will increase substantially as the capacity utilization of coal mines approaches 100 percent. For most combinations of region and mine type, rates of coal-mine capacity utilization rarely approach 100 percent in the historical data series used to estimate the coal-pricing model. In general, the highest rates of capacity utilization are

reported by captive lignite operations in Texas, Louisiana and North Dakota. Between 1991 and 2007, the average annual capacity utilization for Texas lignite production ranged from a low of 90.3 percent in 1991 to a high of 98.5 percent in 2006. During this same period, the average annual capacity utilization for surface coal mines in Wyoming's Northern Powder River Basin ranged from a low of 65.1 percent in 1993 to a high of 93.2 percent in 2007.

Equation 1.B-6 shows the CPS equation used for generating the quantities for the step-function supply curves.

$$\text{STEP_}Q_{i,j,k,z,t} = Q_{i,j,k,z,t} - Q_{i,j,k,z-1,t} \quad (1.B-6)$$

where

STEP_ $Q_{i,j,k,z,t}$	- quantity associated with step z for region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t
$Q_{i,j,k,z,t}$	- production associated with step z for region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t
$Q_{i,j,k,z-1,t}$	- production associated with step z-1 for region i, mine type j, coal type k, and year t

Finally, prices for each step are adjusted to the year dollars required by the CDS using the GDP chain-type price index supplied by the NEMS Macroeconomic Activity Module. The resulting production and price values are used by the CDS to determine the least cost supplies of coal for meeting the projected levels of annual coal demand. The specific outputs provided by the model are described in Appendix 1.C.

Appendix 1.C

Inventory of Input Data, Parameter Estimates, and Model Outputs

Model Inputs

Model inputs are classified into two categories: user-specified inputs and inputs provided by other NEMS components.

CLUSER. User-specified inputs are listed in Table 1.C-1. The table identifies each input, the variable name, the units for the input, and the level of detail at which the input must be specified. Future levels of labor productivity are estimated by the EIA. For the *AEO2009*, productivity improvements are assumed to continue at a reduced rate over the forecast horizon. Rates of improvement are developed based on econometric estimates using historical data by region and by mine type (surface and underground). The average heat and sulfur content values are estimated from data obtained from the FERC-423 and EIA-423 databases for coal consumed at electric power plants and from the EIA-3 and EIA-5 databases for coal consumed at industrial facilities and coke plants, respectively.

The values for the input variables listed in Table 1.C-1 are contained in the file CLUSER – a single "flat" file – are listed in the order of their appearance in this file. The CLUSER file contains six main groups of data: 1) forecast-year estimates for labor costs, coal-mine productivity, and the PPI's for mining machinery and equipment, iron and steel, and explosives; 2) base-year quantities for production, productive capacity, capacity utilization, prices, and coal quality (heat content, sulfur content, mercury content and carbon dioxide emission factors) by supply curve; 3) share of annual fuel costs at U.S. coal mines represented by electricity and diesel fuel; 4) coefficients for the CPS coal-pricing equation; 5) forecast-year production capacity limitations by supply curve (no near-term constraints on production capacity were input for the *AEO2009*); and 6) capacity utilization trigger points by region and mine type used to determine when to add or retire coal-mining productive capacity. Each trigger point is assigned a unique multiplier used to adjust annual productive capacity either upward or downward.

The indices used in the tables are defined as follows:

i	=	supply region
j	=	mine type (surface or underground)
k	=	coal type
t	=	year
by	=	base year
z	=	individual step on the step-function supply curves generated by the CPS for input to the Coal Distribution Submodule

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
WAGE	Real labor cost escalator	National/year	--	--	EIA projection
L_PROD	Base year productivity	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	Tons/miner hour	LP _{i,j,by}	EIA-7A
FR_PROD	Forecast year productivity (as a fraction of L_PROD)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type/year	--	LP _{i,j,t}	EIA projection
ADJ_MMP_ MULT	Price adjustment variable (multiplier)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type/year	Scalar	--	EIA estimate
ADJ_MMP_ ADD	Price adjustment variable (additive)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type/year	1987 Dollars/Ton	--	EIA estimate
SBAS_REGION	Alphabetic supply region code	Supply region	--	--	Model definition
NBAS	Number of production records	Supply region	--	--	File definition
CPROD_TYPE	Alphabetic coal type code	Supply region/ coal type	--	--	Model definition
B_PROD	Base year (2007) production (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	MMTons	P _{i,j,k,by}	EIA-7A
BTU	Average heat content (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	MMBtu/ton	--	FERC-423
SULFUR	Average sulfur content (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	Lbs/MMBtu	--	FERC-423
CAR	Average carbon dioxide emission factor (surface and deep)	Supply region/ coal type	Lbs/MMBtu	--	EIA estimate
PRI	Base-Year (2007) coal price (surface and deep)	Supply region/ coal type	1987 Dollars/Ton	--	EIA-7A
MERCURY	Average mercury content (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	Lbs/trillion Btu	--	U.S. EPA

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
B_CAP_UTIL	Base-Year (2007) capacity utilization of coal mines (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type	Fraction	CAPUTIL _{i,j,k,by}	EIA-7A
B_PROD_CAP	Base-Year (2007) productive capacity (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	MMTons	PRODCAP _{i,j,k,by}	EIA-7A
B_PROD_CAP_ADJ	Factor used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the levels of productive capacity used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by region and mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by region, mine type and coal type (unique combination of heat and sulfur content)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	--	PROD_CAP_ADJ _{i,j,k,by}	EIA-7A
PRI_ADJ	Factor used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the minemouth coal prices used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by region and mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by region, mine type and coal type (unique combination of heat and sulfur content)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	--	PRI_ADJ _{i,j,k,by}	EIA-7A
UTIL_HIST	Representative coal-mine capacity utilization for the time period over which the coal pricing model is estimated (surface and deep)	Supply region/ mine type/coal type	Percent	CAPUTIL_HIST _{i,j,k}	EIA specification
ELEC_SHARE	Share of total fuel costs at mines represented by electricity	Supply region/ mine type	Fraction	--	U.S. Census Bureau
DIST_SHARE	Share of total fuel costs at mines represented by diesel fuel	Supply region/ mine type	Fraction	--	U.S. Census Bureau
OCONT	Overall constant for CPS regression model	National	--	A	Regression analysis

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
LUTIL	Pricing model coefficient (capacity utilization term)	National	--	4	Regression analysis
LPCAP	Pricing model coefficient (cost of capital term)	National	--	10	Regression analysis
LPFUEL	Pricing model coefficient (electricity price term)	National	--	11	Regression analysis
LPSTEEL	Pricing model coefficient (other operating costs term)	National	--	12	Regression analysis
TPH	Pricing model coefficient (overall productivity term)	National	--	5	Regression analysis
TPH_DEEP	Pricing model coefficient (mine type productivity term)	Mine type	--	j,7	Regression analysis
LPRODCAP	Pricing model coefficient (overall productive capacity term)	National	--	2	Regression analysis
RHO	Pricing model coefficient (first-order autocorrelation term)	National	--	11	Regression analysis
PDUMM	Pricing model adjustment factor applied to overall constant term to account for user-specified revisions of the coefficient for the labor productivity regression variable	National	--	TPHBM	Regression analysis
DEEPRODCAP	Pricing model coefficient (mine type productive capacity term)	Mine type	--	j,3	Regression analysis
DEEPWAGE	Pricing model coefficient (mine type labor cost term)	Mine Type	--	j,9	Regression analysis
B_WAGE	Base-year hourly wage	National	1987 Dollars/Hour	WAGE	Bureau of Labor Statistics
F_INDEX	Base-year electricity price (industrial sector)	Supply region	1992 Dollars/MMBtu	--	EIA
SDS	Pricing model coefficients (intercept dummy variables)	Supply region	--	i,1	Regression analysis

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
SDD	Pricing model coefficients (used to adjust intercept terms for underground mines in CPS regions WM, WW and ZN)	Supply region	--	i,1	Regression analysis
SPROD	Pricing model coefficients (regional productivity terms)	Supply region	--	i,6	Regression analysis
DPROD	Pricing model coefficients (regional and mine type productivity terms)	Supply region/ mine type	--	i,j,7	Regression analysis
P_EQUIP_ SURF	PPI for construction machinery	Year	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	--	Bureau of Labor Statistics
P_EQUIP_ UNDG	PPI for mining machinery and equipment	Year	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	--	Bureau of Labor Statistics
P_STEEL	PPI for iron and steel	Year	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	--	Bureau of Labor Statistics
P_EXPLO	PPI for explosives	Year	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	--	Bureau of Labor Statistics
PCNT_REC	Number of marginal cost curves	National	--	--	File definition
PCNT_ REGION	Numerical supply region identifier	Supply region	--	--	Model definition
PCNT_CTYPE	Numerical coal type identifier	Coal type	--	--	Model definition
PCNT_PRICE	Base-year minemouth coal price	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type	1987 Dollars/ton	--	EIA-7A
PCNT_PROD	Initial target production used to build step-function curves with 11 steps	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type	MMTons	--	EIA-7A
MCNT_REC	Number of marginal cost curves	National	--	--	File definition
MCNT_ REGION	Numerical supply region identifier	Supply region	--	--	Model definition

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
MCNT_CTYPE	Numerical coal type identifier	Coal type	--	--	Model definition
MCNT_PRICE	Initial target price used to build step-function curves with 11 steps	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type	1987 Dollars/ton	$P_{i,j,k,z=1,t}$	EIA-7A
MCNT_PROD	Base year production	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type	MMTons	--	EIA-7A
MCNT_STEP	Variations from the target price used to build step-function curves with 11 steps	National	Fraction	--	EIA estimate
SCLIMIT_CNT	Numerical supply curve code	Supply curve	--	--	Model definition
SCLIMIT_REG	Numerical supply region code	Supply region	--	--	Model definition
SCLIMIT_REGNAME	Alphabetic supply region code	Supply region	--	--	Model definition
SCLIMIT_CPSCT	Numerical coal type code	Coal type	--	--	Model definition
SCLIMIT_CDSCT	Alphabetic coal type code	Coal type	--	--	Model definition
IYR	Supply curve limit	Supply curve	MMTons	--	EIA estim.
SCURVE_LIMIT_MAX	Maximum supply curve limit	National	MMTons	--	EIA specification
UTIL_EXP	Real number used to revise the coefficient for the coal pricing model's capacity utilization term for levels of capacity utilization that are outside the upper range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model database. This factor (set to 3.0 for the AEO2009) is used for the calculating prices for each of the last six steps of the eleven-step CPS supply curves.	National	--	--	EIA specification

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
UTIL_EXP_BOT	Real number used to revise the coefficient for the coal pricing model's capacity utilization term for levels of capacity utilization that are outside the lower range of utilization rates contained in the coal pricing model database. This factor (set to 1.0 for the AEO2009) is used for the calculating prices for each of the first five steps of the eleven-step CPS supply curves.	National	--		EIA specification
UTIL_MAX_SURF	Upper capacity utilization amount used to trigger additions to surface productive capacity	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MAX_UNDG	Upper capacity utilization amount used to trigger additions to underground productive capacity	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MID_SURF	Mid-level capacity utilization amount used to trigger additions to surface productive capacity	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MID_UNDG	Mid-level capacity utilization amount used to trigger additions to underground productive capacity	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MIN_SURF	Lower capacity utilization amount used to trigger retirements of surface productive capacity	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MIN_UNDG	Lower capacity utilization amount used to trigger retirements of underground productive capacity	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MAX_SURF_ADJ	Factor used to increase surface productive capacity when capacity utilization UTIL_MAX_SURF	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification

Table 1.C-1. User-Specified Inputs Required by the CPS

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	Source(s)
UTIL_MAX_UNDG_ADJ	Factor used to increase underground productive capacity when capacity utilization UTIL_MAX_UNDG	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MID_SURF_ADJ	Factor used to increase surface productive capacity when capacity utilization < UTIL_MAX_SURF but UTIL_MID_SURF	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MID_UNDG_ADJ	Factor used to increase underground productive capacity when capacity utilization < UTIL_MAX_UNDG but UTIL_MID_UNDG	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MIN_SURF_ADJ	Factor used to retire surface productive capacity when capacity utilization < UTIL_MIN_SURF	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
UTIL_MIN_UNDG_ADJ	Factor used to retire underground productive capacity when capacity utilization < UTIL_MIN_SURF	Supply region	Fraction	--	EIA specification
MCNT_STEP	Variable use to establish production levels for each of the 11 steps represented on the CPS step-function supply curves	National	Fraction	--	EIA specification

Inputs Provided by Other NEMS Components. Table 1.C-2 identifies inputs obtained from other NEMS components and indicates the variable name, the units for the input, and the level of detail at which the input must be specified. Electricity prices are obtained from the Electricity Market Module, industrial distillate fuel prices are obtained from the Petroleum Market Module, the real rate of interest on AA public utility bonds are received from the Macroeconomic Activity Module, and production and prices by CPS supply curve are obtained from the Coal Distribution Submodule.

Table 1.C-2. CPS Inputs Provided by Other NEMS Modules and Submodules

CPS Variable Name	Description	Specification Level	Units	Variable Used in this Report	NEMS Module/ Submodule
PELIN	Average price of electricity in the industrial sector	Supply region/ year	1987 Dollars/ MMBtu	--	EMM
PDSIN	Average price of distillate in the industrial sector	National/year	1987 Dollars/MMBtu	--	PMM
MC_RLRMCORPPUAANS	Real rate on AA-rated public utility bonds	National	Percent	--	MAM
LAG_PMPROD	Total mine value of coal produced in year t-1	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type/year	1987 Dollars	--	CDS
LAG_QPROD	Coal production in year t-1	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type/year	Million tons	--	CDS
MCNT_PROD	Target quantities for years t > 1, used to build step-function curves with 11 steps	Supply region/ mine type/ coal type/year	Million tons	--	CDS

Model Outputs

The primary outputs from the model are step-function supply curves provided to the CDS. In addition to the price and quantity values associated with the steps on each of the supply curves, the CPS provides the CDS with coal quality data that include estimates for heat, sulfur and mercury content, and for carbon dioxide emission factors (Table 1.C-3).

Table 1.C-3. CPS Model Outputs

CPS Variable Name	Description	Units	Variable Used in this Report
MCNT_P	Minemouth coal price associated with each CPS supply curve step provided to the CDS	1987 dollars/ton	$P_{i,j,k,z,t}$
MCNT_Q	Length of each CPS supply curve step provided to the CDS	Million tons	$Q_{i,j,k,z,t}$
MCNT_BTU	Average Btu content for each CPS supply curve step provided to the CDS	MMBtu per ton	--
MCNT_SULF	Average sulfur content for each CPS supply curve step provided to the CDS	lbs/MMBtu	--
MCNT_MERC	Average mercury content for each CPS supply curve step provided to the CDS	lbs/Trillion Btu	--
MCNT_CAR	Average carbon dioxide emission factor for each CPS supply curve step provided to the CDS	lbs/MMBtu	--

Endogenous Variables

Variables endogenous to the model are included in Table 1.C-4. Table 1.C-4 includes the variable name used in the report, the corresponding variable name used in the CPS model, a description of the variable, and the variable's units.

Table 1.C-4. CPS: Key Endogenous Variables

CPS Variable Name	Description	Units	Variable Used in this Report
L_PROD	Labor productivity for NEMS forecast year t	Tons/miner hour	TPH _{i,j,t}
E_FUEL	Hybrid fuel price (average of industrial electricity and distillate prices) for NEMS forecast year t	1992 dollars/MMBtu	PFUEL _{i,j,t}
D_FUEL	Diesel fuel prices for NEMS forecast year t	1992 dollars/MMBtu	--
R_WAGE	Average coal industry wage for NEMS forecast year t	1992 dollars/hour	WAGE _t
PK	User-cost of mining equipment for NEMS forecast years	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	PCAP _t
P_OPER_OTH	Cost index representing operating costs other than wages and fuel for NEMS forecast year t	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	--
YINT	CPS calibration constant	--	C _{i,j,k}
FP	Multiplier for non-production terms in the CPS coal pricing equation	--	K _{i,j,k,t}
QTARG	Target quantities for years t > 1, used to build step-function curves with 11 steps	Million tons	Q _{i,j,k,t}
SC_PRICE	Prices for each of the steps on the 11-step supply curves input to the CDS	1992 dollars/ton	P _{i,j,k,z,t}
SC_QUAN	Quantities for each of the steps on the 11-step supply curves input to the CDS	Million tons	Q _{i,j,k,z,t}
LAG_PRI	Minemouth price of coal by supply curve in year t-1	1992 dollars/ton	MMP _{i,j,k,t-1}
LAG_PROD	Coal production by supply curve in year t-1	Million tons	Q _{i,j,k,t-1}
PROD_CAP	Coal productive capacity by supply curve in year t	Million tons	PRODCAP _{i,j,k,t}

Appendix 1.D

Data Quality and Estimation

Development of the CPS Regression Model

The two-stage least squares regression technique was used to estimate the relationship between the minemouth price of coal and the corresponding levels of capacity utilization at mines, productive capacity, labor productivity, wages, fuel costs, other mine operating costs, and a term representing the annual user cost of mining machinery and equipment. In the first stage of the estimation, the endogenous explanatory variables are regressed on the exogenous and predetermined variables. The product of this estimation is predicted values of the endogenous explanatory variables that are uncorrelated with the error term. In turn, these predicted values are employed in the second stage of the technique to estimate the relationship between the dependent endogenous variable and the independent variable(s).

The result from the second-stage (structural) equation represents the model implemented in the CMM for the *AEO2009*. The first stage (reduced form) equations are used only to obtain the predicted values for the endogenous explanatory variables included in the second stage, removing the effects on minemouth prices caused by shifts in the demand function.

The structural equation for the coal pricing model was specified in log-linear (constant elasticity) form. In this specification, the values for all variables (except the constant term) are transformed by taking their natural logarithm. The CPS regression model was developed using a combination of cross-sectional and time series data. The model includes annual-level data for thirteen CPS supply regions and two mine types (surface and underground) for the years 1980 through 2005, excluding the years 1986-1992.¹³ In all, 342 observations are included (18 observations per year (13 surface and 5 underground) for each of the 19 years represented in the historical data series).

All data were pooled into a single regression equation. In addition to the overall constant term for the model, intercept dummy variables were included for all regions except Central Appalachia. Dummy variables were used for the productivity and productive capacity variables to allow slope coefficients to vary across regions and mine types. The Durbin-Watson test for first-order positive autocorrelation indicated that the hypothesis of no autocorrelation should be rejected. As a consequence, a correction for serial correlation was incorporated. In addition, a formal test indicated that the hypothesis of homoskedasticity (the assumption that the errors in the regression equation have a common variance) should be rejected, and, as a result, a weighted regression technique was employed to obtain more efficient parameter estimates.

¹³Data for coal mines in the AW (Alaska and Washington) supply region were not included in the regression model. The average mine price of coal for those States is withheld from EIA publications to avoid disclosure of individual company data. Estimates of annual productive capacity for 1978 through 1985 were developed using reported daily productive capacity data by mine, reported number of days worked by mine, and region/mine type estimates for maximum average number of days worked. The maximum average number of days worked represents the highest reported average number of days worked per year by region and mine type during the years 1978 through 1989. Annual productive capacity for mines that reported working less days than the maximum average number of days worked for their region and mine type was calculated by multiplying their reported daily productive capacity by the maximum average number of days worked. Alternatively, if a mine reported working more days than the maximum average number of days worked for their region/mine type, annual productive capacity was calculated by simply multiplying their reported daily productive capacity by their reported number of days worked.

The two-stage least squares (2SLS) regression equation for the CPS was estimated using the LSQ (general nonlinear least squares multiequation estimator) procedure in TSP 4.5 with the INST option. The form of the CPS regression equation and the associated regression statistics are presented below and in Table 1.D-1, respectively. The sources for the various historical data series used in the regression model are shown in Tables 1.D-2 and 1.D-3.

Indicative of the high R^2 statistic (see Table 1.D-1), there is a close correspondence between the predicted and actual minemouth prices. The calculation for the adjusted R^2 statistic provided in Table 1.D-1 is documented in the User's Guide for TSP Version 4.5. As indicated in this report, all of the statistics related to the residuals using the 2SLS regression technique are calculated in TSP with the same formulas used for ordinary least squares (OLS). A summary of the calculations used for generating the R^2 and adjusted R^2 statistics in TSP is provided below.

Computation of R^2 with a constant term:

$$R^2 = 1 - \left[\frac{\sum e_t^2}{\sum (y_t - \bar{y})^2} \right] \tag{1.D-1}$$

where:

$$e_t = y_t - \hat{y}_t$$

and

$$\hat{y}_t = X_t b$$

Or

$$R^2 = 1 - [SSR / SST]$$

where:

$$SSR = \sum e_t^2$$

$$SST = \sum (y_t - \bar{y})^2$$

The adjusted R^2 or \bar{R}^2 with a constant term is calculated as follows:

$$\bar{R}^2 = 1 - [SSR / (T - K)] / [SST / (T - 1)] \tag{1.D-2}$$

In the above equations:

e_t	residuals
y_t	observed values of the independent variable
\bar{y}	mean of the observed values of y_t
\hat{y}_t	predicted values of the independent variable

X_t	vector of independent variables
b	estimated regression coefficients
SSR	sum of squared residuals
SST	total sum of squares
T	number of observations in the sample
K	number of independent variables

Based on the regression results shown in Table 1.D-1, the equation used for predicting future levels of minemouth coal prices by region, mine type and coal type for *AEO2009* is:

$$P_{i,j,k,t} = \text{CAL_FACTOR}_{i,j,k,t} + [C_{i,j,k,t} * \text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,t}^{(2+j,3)} * \text{CAPUTIL}_{i,j,k,t}^{(4)} * \quad (1.D-3)$$

$$\text{TPH}_{i,j,t}^{((5+(k*SE))+i,6+j,7+i,j,8)} * \text{WAGE}_{j,t}^{(j,9)} * \text{PCAP}_{j,t}^{(10)} *$$

$$\text{PFUEL}_{i,t}^{(11)} * \text{OTH_OPER}_{i,j,t}^{(12)} * P_{i,j,k,t-1}^{(13)} * \text{PRODCAP}_{i,j,k,t-1}^{(13*(2+j,3))} *$$

$$\text{CAPUTIL}_{i,j,k,t-1}^{(13*4*CU_FY_SC)} * \text{TPH}_{i,j,t-1}^{(13*((5+(k*SE))+i,6+j,7+i,j,8))} *$$

$$\text{WAGE}_{j,t-1}^{(13*(j,9))} * \text{PCAP}_{j,t-1}^{(13*(10))} * \text{PFUEL}_{i,t-1}^{(13*(11))} * \text{OTH_OPER}_{i,j,t-1}^{(13*(12))}]$$

where:

First Term in Equation 1.D-3 (CAL_FACTOR_{i,j,k,t})

CAL_FACTOR_{i,j,k,t} is a constant added to the regression equation for each supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k in each year t to calibrate the model to current price levels. For the *AEO2009*, prices were calibrated to the average annual minemouth coal prices for 2007.

Second Term in Equation 1.D-3 (C_{i,j,k,t})

$$C_{i,j,k,t} = e^{(A+i,1)*(1-13)} * \text{TPH}_{i,j,t=1}^{(k*SE*(1-13))} * \text{CAPUTIL_HIST}_{i,j,k}^{[4-(4*CU_FY_SC)]*(1-13)} * \quad (1.D-4)$$

$$[\text{PROD_CAP_ADJ}_{i,j,k}^{((2+j,3)*(1-13))}] * [\text{PRI_ADJ}_{i,j,k}^{(13)}]$$

where:

The first term in equation 1.D-4 ($e^{(A+i,1)*(1-13)}$) is the intercept for the model, where "A" is an overall constant for the model and the term "i,1" represents the regional specific constants for the model.

The second term in equation 1.D-4 ($\text{TPH}_{i,j,t=1}^{(k*SE*(1-13))}$) represents a required adjustment to the intercept term for the coal-pricing equation to account for user-specified changes in the estimated coefficient for the overall productivity term. Specifically, the term k represents the amount by which the overall parameter estimate (γ_5) for the productivity term is to be revised. The SE term is the standard error of the parameter estimate (γ_5) for the labor productivity term, and is a constant. For the *AEO2009*, k was set equal to zero reflecting the assumption that the correlation between coal mining productivity and minemouth coal prices as estimated for the recent historical period will continue to hold over the *AEO2009* forecast horizon.

The third term in equation 1.D-4 ($CAPUTIL_HIST_{i,j,k}^{(1-4)} \cdot (4 - CU_FY_SC)^{(1-13)}$) represents a required adjustment to the intercept term for the coal-pricing equation to account for changes in the parameter estimate (4) for the capacity utilization term. In the *AEO2009* forecast scenarios, the coefficient for the capacity utilization term is revised endogenously within the Coal Market Module on the basis of how much the projected levels of capacity utilization vary from the representative historical levels of capacity utilization. This feature was added to the CPS to reflect the premise that coal mining costs will increase substantially as the average capacity utilization of coal mines approaches 100 percent. The term CU_FY_SC is equal to $(CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,t-1} / CAPUTIL_HIST_{i,j,k})$. In this equation, $CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,t-1}$ is the projected level of capacity utilization for a specific supply curve in year t-1, $CAPUTIL_HIST_{i,j,k}$ is the representative historical rate of capacity utilization for this same CPS supply curve, and the term 4 is a user-specified term. For the *AEO2009*, the user-specified term 4 was set equal to 3.0.

The fourth term in equation 1.D-4 ($PROD_CAP_ADJ_{i,j,k}^{(2+j \cdot 3)^{(1-13)}}$) is used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the levels of productive capacity used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by region and mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by region, mine type and coal type (unique combination of heat and sulfur content). $PROD_CAP_ADJ$ is a user-specified input calculated by dividing base-year (2007) productive capacity for supply region i and mine type j by the estimated base-year (2007) productive capacity for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k. The latter of these two productive capacity numbers represents data for a specific CPS supply curve, thus the additional coal type dimension for this term.

The fifth term in equation 1.D-4 ($PRI_ADJ_{i,j,k}^{(1-13)}$) is used to adjust intercept for the model to account for the fact that the minemouth coal prices used to estimate the coal pricing equation were specified by region and mine type, while the model is implemented in NEMS by region, mine type and coal type (unique combination of heat and sulfur content). PRI_ADJ is a user-specified input calculated by dividing the average base-year (2007) minemouth coal price for supply region i and mine type j by the estimated average base-year (2007) minemouth coal price for supply region i, mine type j, and coal type k. The latter of these two prices represents data for a specific CPS supply curve, thus the additional coal type dimension for this term.

Remaining Terms in Equation 1.D-4

$P_{i,j,k,t}$	average annual minemouth price of coal in constant 1992 dollars for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k in year t
A	overall constant term for the model
$PRODCAP_{i,j,k,t}$	annual productive capacity of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k in year t
$CAPUTIL_{i,j,k,t}$	average annual capacity utilization (the ratio of annual production to annual productive capacity) of coal mines for supply region i, mine type j, coal type k in year t (modeled as a percentage)
$TPH_{i,j,t}$	average annual coal mine labor productivity in tons per miner hour for supply region i, mine type j in year t
$WAGE_{j,t}$	average annual wage for coal miners for mine type j in year t

PCAP _{j,t}	index representing the annualized user cost of mining equipment for mine type j, in year t. The index is adjusted to constant 1992 dollars.
PFUEL _{i,t}	a weighted average of the annual price of electricity in the industrial sector and the U.S. price of No. 2 diesel fuel (excluding taxes) to end users for supply region i in year t
OTH_OPER _{i,j,t}	constant dollar index representing mine operating costs other than wages and fuel requirements specified by supply region i, mine type j, in year t. Examples of other operating costs include items such as replacement parts for equipment, roof bolts, and explosives.

Regression Coefficients

- A overall constant for the model
- i,1 for the intercept dummy variables for each supply region i
- 2 for the productive capacity term
- j,3 for the productive capacity term by mine type j
- 4 for the capacity utilization term
- 5 for the labor productivity term
- i,6 for the labor productivity term by supply region i
- j,7 for the labor productivity term by mine type j
- i,j,8 for the labor productivity term by supply region i and mine type j
- j,9 for the labor cost term by mine type j
- 10 for the user cost of capital term
- 11 for the fuel price term
- 12 for the other mine operating costs term
- 13 for the first-order autocorrelation term

Table 1.D-1. Regression Statistics for the Coal Pricing Model

Regression Coefficient	Variable	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	t-Statistic
A	Overall Constant	-1.818	0.565	-3.218*
$\beta_{i=3,1}$	DUM_REG ₃ (Southern Appalachia (SA))	0.735	0.121	6.082*
$\beta_{i=5,1}$	DUM_REG ₅ (West Interior (WI))	1.066	0.108	9.896*
$\beta_{i=6,1}$	DUM_REG ₆ (Gulf Lignite (GL))	-0.357	0.064	-5.583*
$\beta_{i=7,1}$	DUM_REG ₇ (Dakota Lignite (DL))	1.280	0.165	7.770*
$\beta_{i=8,1}$	DUM_REG ₈ (Western Montana (WM))	2.972	0.446	6.670*
$\beta_{i=9,1}$	DUM_REG ₉ (Wyoming, Northern PRB (NW))	3.185	0.341	9.331*
$\beta_{i=10,1}$	DUM_REG ₁₀ (Wyoming, Southern PRB (SW))	3.583	0.282	12.709*
$\beta_{i=11,1}$	DUM_REG ₁₁ (Western Wyoming (WW))	1.188	0.305	3.893*
$\beta_{i=12,1}$	DUM_REG ₁₂ (Rocky Mountain (RM))	0.692	0.062	11.182*
$\beta_{i=13,1}$	DUM_REG ₁₃ (Arizona/New Mexico (ZN))	0.428	0.066	6.466*
β_2	ln PRODCAP	0.450	NA ^a	NA ^a
$\beta_{j=1,3}$	DUM_MINE_TYPE (Underground) * ln PRODCAP	-0.098	0.049	-2.011**
β_4	ln CAPUTIL	0.386	0.060	6.445*
β_5	ln TPH	-0.396	0.063	-6.298*
$\beta_{i=3,6}$	SA*ln TPH	0.431	0.120	3.585*
$\beta_{i=5,6}$	WI*ln TPH	0.312	0.090	3.451*
$\beta_{i=7,6}$	DL*ln TPH	-0.570	0.072	-7.884*
$\beta_{i=8,6}$	WM*ln TPH	-1.026	0.156	-6.568*
$\beta_{i=9,6}$	NW*ln TPH	-1.154	0.109	-10.614*
$\beta_{i=10,6}$	SW*ln TPH	-1.242	0.094	-13.195*
$\beta_{i=11,6}$	WW*ln TPH	-0.347	0.160	-2.164**
$\beta_{j=1,7}$	DUM_MINE_TYPE (Underground) * ln TPH	-0.414	0.054	-7.705*
$\beta_{i=1,j=1,8}$	NA * DUM_MINE_TYPE (Underground) * ln TPH	0.212	0.036	5.808*
$\beta_{i=3,j=1,8}$	SA * DUM_MINE_TYPE (Underground) * ln TPH	-0.290	0.105	-2.756*
$\beta_{i=4,j=1,8}$	EI * DUM_MINE_TYPE (Underground) * ln TPH	0.246	0.045	5.495*
$\beta_{j=1,9}$	DUM_MINE_TYPE (Underground) * ln WAGE	0.159	0.081	1.955***
β_{10}	ln PCAP	0.117	0.035	3.362*
β_{11}	ln PFUEL	0.129	0.030	4.235*
β_{12}	ln OTH_OPER	0.280	0.092	3.046*
β_{13}	Autocorrelation Parameter (Rho)	0.527	0.052	10.056*
	Adjusted R squared	0.997		
	Durbin-Watson Statistic	2.166		
	Number of Observations	342 ^b		

NA = Not available. *Significant at one percent. ** Significant at five percent. *** Significant at ten percent.

^aThe coefficient for the productive capacity term was constrained to a level of 0.45, and, thus the standard error is not available for this term. In a similar regression where the productive capacity term was not constrained, the coefficient for the productive capacity term was 0.217.

^bThe use of a weighted regression technique using the TSP 4.5 statistical package resulted in the loss or dropping of the first two observations for each group of data (combination of region and mine type). The model includes annual-level data for ten CPS supply regions and two mine types (surface and underground) for the years 1980 through 2005, excluding the years 1986-1992. In all, 342 observations are included (18 observations per year (13 surface and 5 underground) for each of the 19 years represented in the historical data series).

Notes: The endogenous explanatory variables in the regression are PRODCAP, CAPUTIL, TPH, WAGE, PCAP, PFUEL, and OTH_OPER.

Instruments excluded from the supply equation are lagged coal-fired electricity generation, lagged fossil share of total electricity generation, lagged days of supply at electricity sector power plants, lagged industrial coal consumption, lagged exports, lagged coal inventories at electricity sector plants, lagged mine price of coal, lagged productive capacity, lagged capacity utilization, lagged mine productivity, lagged fuel price, lagged coal industry wage, lagged index of other mine operating costs, the world oil price, the price of natural gas to the electric sector, and the average heat, sulfur and ash content for coal received at electricity sector plants.

Table 1.D-2. Data Sources for Supply-Side Variables

Variable	Description	Units	Sources
$P_{i,j,t}$	Average annual minemouth price of coal by CPS supply region and mine type	1992 Dollars per short ton	Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"
$PRODCAP_{i,j,t}$	Annual coal productive capacity by region and mine type	Million short tons	Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"
$CAPUTIL_{i,j,t}$	Average annual capacity utilization at coal mines by region and mine type	Percent	Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"
$TPH_{i,j,t}$	Average annual labor productivity by region and mine type	Short tons per miner hour	Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"
$WAGE_t$	Average hourly coal industry wage (national level)	1992 Dollars per miner hour	U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Average Hourly Earnings of Production Workers (Coal Mining), Series ID's: EEU10120006 and CEU1021210006
$PCAP_{j,t}$ ¹⁴	Annualized user cost of mining equipment (national level)	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	PPI for Mining Machinery and Equipment: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Series ID: PCU333131333131; PPI for Construction Machinery: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Series ID: PCU333120333120; and Yield on Utility Bonds: Global Insight.
$PFUEL_{i,t}$	Weighted average annual price of electricity in the industrial sector and the U.S. price of No. 2 diesel fuel (excluding taxes)	1992 Dollars per million Btu	Energy Information Administration, <i>Electric Power Annual 2007 - Spreadsheets</i> (Washington, DC, January 2009), web site www.eia.doe.gov ; EIA, <i>Petroleum Marketing Annual 2007</i> , EOE/EIA - 0487(2007) (Washington, DC, August 2008), Table 2; and EIA, <i>State Energy Data System</i> , Consumption, Price, and Expenditure Estimates (Washington, DC, November 2008), web site www.eia.doe.gov .
$OTH_OPER_{i,j,t}$	A constant dollar index representing mine operating costs other than wages and fuel requirements	Constant dollar index (1992 dollars)	PPI for Iron and Steel: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Series ID: WPU101; PPI for Explosives: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Series ID: WPU067902.

¹⁴ This variable was calculated as follows:

$$PCAP = (r + \delta - (p_t - p_{t-1})/p_{t-1}) * p_t$$

where

r is a proxy for the real rate of interest, equal to the AA Utility Bond Rate minus the percentage change in the implicit GDP deflator for year t ;

In equation form:

$$r_t = (\text{AA Utility Bond Rate}_t / 100) - [(\text{GDP Deflator}_t - \text{GDP Deflator}_{t-1}) / \text{GDP Deflator}_{t-1}]$$

δ is the rate of depreciation on mining equipment, assumed to equal 10 percent; and

p_t is the PPI for mining equipment, adjusted to constant 1987 dollars using the GDP deflator for year t .

The three terms represented in the annual user cost of mining equipment are defined as follows:

rp_t is the opportunity cost of having funds tied up in mine capital equipment in year t ;

δp_t is the compensation to the mine owner for depreciation in year t ; and

$((p_t - p_{t-1}) / p_{t-1}) p_t$ is the capital gain on mining equipment (in a period of declining capital prices, this term will take on a negative value, increasing the user cost of capital for year t).

Table 1.D-3. Data Sources for Instruments Excluded from the Supply Equation

Data Item	Description	Units	Sources
Total Fossil Electricity Generation	Annual fossil-fired net electricity generation	Billion Kilowatthours	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0384(2007) (Washington, DC, June 2008), Table 8.2a.
Fossil Share of Total U.S. Electricity Generation	Share of total U.S. electricity generation accounted for by generation at fossil-fired power plants	Fraction	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0384(2007) (Washington, DC, June 2008), Table 8.2a.
Industrial coal consumption	Annual industrial coal consumption (steam and coking)	Million short tons	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0384(2007) (Washington, DC, June 2008), Table 7.3.
World Oil Price	Refiner acquisition cost of crude oil: imported	1992 Dollars per barrel	Energy Information Administration, <i>Petroleum Marketing Annual 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0487(2007) (Washington, DC, August 2008), Table 1.
Price of Natural Gas	Annual average price of natural gas delivered to the electricity sector by CPS supply region	1992 Dollars per thousand cubic feet	Energy Information Administration, <i>Electric Power Monthly, March Supplement, Historical Excel Tables</i> , March 2008, DOE/EIA-0226(2008/03) (Washington, DC, March 2008), Tables 4.9.B and 4.13.B.
Heat content of coal	Average annual heat content of coal for receipts at electric utility plants by CPS supply region and mine type	Million Btu per short ton	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, FERC Form 423, "Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants" and Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-423, "Monthly Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants Report"
Sulfur content of coal	Average annual sulfur content of coal for receipts at electric utility plants by CPS supply region and mine type	Pounds of sulfur per million Btu.	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, FERC Form 423, "Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants" and Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-423, "Monthly Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants Report"
Ash content of coal	Average annual ash content of coal for receipts at electric utility plants by CPS supply region and mine type	Percent by weight	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, FERC Form 423, "Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants" and Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-423, "Monthly Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants Report"

Table 1.D-3. Data Sources for Instruments Excluded from the Supply Equation

Data Item	Description	Units	Sources
Exports	Annual exports of U.S. coal	Million tons	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0384(2007) (Washington, DC, June 2008), Table 7.1.
Other Production	Total U.S. production minus production for the current observation	Million tons	Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report"
Coal Inventories	Coal stocks at the end of the year for U.S. electric power sector	Million tons	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0384(2007) (Washington, DC, June 2008), Table 7.5.
Days of Coal Supply at Electricity Sector Power Plants	Year-end electricity sector coal inventories divided by average daily coal consumption	Days	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , DOE/EIA-0384(2007) (Washington, DC, June 2008), Tables 7.3 and 7.5.

Appendix 1.F

Coal Production Submodule Program Availability

The source code for the Coal Production Submodule program is available from the program office:

Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting
Energy Information Administration
EI-80
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue S.W.
Washington, DC 20585

- Detailed reports produced in a set for a single forecast year. These reports provide detail on sectoral demands received, regional and national coal distribution patterns, transportation costs, and reporting of regional and supply curves-specific production. Any or all of these reports can be run for any year in the model forecast horizon. These reports are designed to meet requirements for detailed output on special topics, and for diagnostic and calibration purposes.

labor and supplies, right-of-way maintenance, and routing and scheduling, more recent "unit train" contracts reflect the use of dedicated locomotive power, rolling stock, and labor operating trains on an invariant schedule. Often the shipper wholly or partly finances these dedicated components of the total contract service. In such cases, the actual costs and services represented by the contract may cover no more than right-of-way maintenance, routing and scheduling. Particular interregional routes may vary widely in the proportion of total coal carriage represented by newer cost sharing and older tariff-based contracts.

The mathematical specification for the CDS optimization program incorporates within its structure the optimization program for international coal flows, which is discussed in Section 3 of this document.

SR SUPPLY REGIONS

NA PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO, MARYLAND, WEST VIRGINIA (NORTH)
CA WEST VIRGINIA (SOUTH), KENTUCKY (EAST), VIRGINIA, TENNESSEE
(NORTH)
SA ALABAMA, TENNESSEE (SOUTH)
EI ILLINOIS, INDIANA, KENTUCKY (WEST), MISSISSIPPI
WI IOWA, MISSOURI, KANSAS, OKLAHOMA, ARKANSAS,
TEXAS (BITUMINOUS)
GL TEXAS (LIGNITE), LOUISIANA
DL NORTH DAKOTA, MONTANA (LIGNITE)
WM WESTERN MONTANA (SUBBITUMINOUS)
NW WYOMING, NORTHERN POWDER RIVER BASIN (SUBBITUMINOUS)
SW WYOMING, SOUTHERN POWDER RIVER BASIN (SUBBITUMINOUS)
WW WESTERN WYOMING (SUBBITUMINOUS)
RM COLORADO, UTAH
ZN ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO
AW WASHINGTON, ALASKA

CR CENSUS REGION

1 NEW ENGLAND
2 MIDDLE ATLANTIC
3 EAST NORTH CENTRAL
4 WEST NORTH CENTRAL
5 SOUTH ATLANTIC
6 EAST SOUTH CENTRAL
7 WEST SOUTH CENTRAL
8 MOUNTAIN
9 PACIFIC

PMM PETROLEUM MARKET MODULE REGIONS

1 REGION 1
2 REGION 2
3 REGION 3
4 REGION 4
5 REGION 5

R COAL RANK

L Lignite
S Subbituminous
B Bituminous
P Premium

U SULFUR GRADE

C Low: 1.2 lbs SO₂ per million Btu
M Medium: > 1.2 but 3.33 lbs SO₂ per million Btu
H High: >3.33 lbs SO₂ per million Btu

M MINE TYPE

D Underground Mining
S Surface Mining

- 40 ELECTRICITY - H6
- 41 ELECTRICITY - H7
- 42 ELECTRICITY - H8
- 43 ELECTRICITY - H9
- 44 ELECTRICITY - HA
- 45 ELECTRICITY - HB
- 46 ELECTRICITY - HC
- 47 ELECTRICITY - PC
- 48 ELECTRICITY - IG
- 49 ELECTRICITY - IS

PT PLANT TYPE

See SUBSECTORS #15-49 above or Table 2.6 for more details

ACSTEP ACTIVATED CARBON SUPPLY CURVE STEPS

Step 1

C COAL GROUPS

- 1 Premium and Bituminous
- 2 Subbituminous
- 3 Lignite
- " " None

from which supplies may be drawn (The organization of "coal groups" is explained below in the discussion of the "CLPARAMS" input file), and (5) the international coal export region to which they pertain. The next group of inputs represents lower bounds and growth rates required to smooth the export forecast.

CLCONT. This file contains data describing electricity coal contracts, coal contract profiles, coal diversity profiles and transportation rate profiles for both domestic production and imports.

The first section of the file contains a list of 260 "contract profile" indices with corresponding contract profiles, one for each year of the forecast. These profiles determine whether minimum flows of a particular supply region's coal will be maintained or decline over the forecast horizon.

For domestic production only, the next section contains "transportation profiles." The transportation profiles determine whether a plant will always get the first tier transportation rate or whether it will be assigned a second tier transportation as well. The second tier rate only will become effective if modeled volumes exceed historical flows. If the second tier rate takes effect it is only applied to the volume in excess of this shipment level. (By default, all new plants are subject to the second tier rate for their coal shipments.)

For domestic production only, the transportation profile section is followed by the "subbituminous diversity profiles" and then the "lignite diversity profiles." These two sections determine what proportion of a plant's consumption can be comprised of subbituminous coal and lignite coal, respectively. In the next section, a subbituminous diversity profile is established for new or unidentified coal units by demand region. Unidentified coal units are those which may be present in the electricity model's plant input file but are not listed in the clcont file. For *AEO2009*, new and unidentified plants are allowed unlimited use of subbituminous coal.

The next section maps international exporting regions to a unique supply curve number and supply region number.

In the final section of the clcont file, 3607 records are listed. The following information is provided on each line: plant identification number, plant unit number, plant name, plant state, supply curve number, contract profile index, subbituminous diversity index, lignite diversity index, transportation rate index, and a coal consumption quantity (in trillion Btu). Each of the indices refers to a similarly named profile mentioned above. For imports, 'dummy' values are provided for the subbituminous diversity index, lignite diversity index, and transportation rate index. These 'dummy' values are not actually used for imports.

For both domestic production and imports, contracts are specified by coal type, supply region, demand region, and whether the units have flue gas desulfurization equipment or not. Those units having flue gas desulfurization equipment are referred to as "scrubbed." The process for determining the level of contracts for a given forecast year involves a series of calculations utilizing the data entered in the clcont file. First, the historical proportion of consumption satisfied at the entire plant unit by each coal type/supply region combination is calculated for each plant unit. Second, a profile percentage indicating the proportion of the historical quantity still under contract in the current forecast year is multiplied by the share calculated in the first step. Third, the resulting calculated minimum contract share is multiplied by the demand (specified by plant unit) received from the electricity model. Finally, this information is aggregated by coal type, supply region, demand region, and whether the units specified in the contract have flue gas desulfurization equipment or not. As the forecast year changes, this minimum flow is subject to change as the contract profiles and electricity demand change. For domestic production, the resulting calculated minimum flow is the right-hand-side of the F(SR)(DR)X(C) row in the LP for the

"COAL" contains labels for the CMM coal types.

"BSRZR" is used to adjust transportation rates by the 49 economic subsectors and 14 demand regions. For *AEO2009*, "BSRZR" is set to 1.0 for all subsectors and demand regions and has no effect on the forecast.

"BSZR_UTIL" enables the calibration of delivered electricity coal prices to historical data. Each number represents a single forecast year beginning in 1990 and ending in 2030.

"MINERS BY SUPPLY REGION FOR MINEBYR" is the base year data from which subsequent coal mine employment for the forecast years is calculated.

"SECTORS" is a column vector of alphabetic labels for the 49 economic subsectors in the CDS.

"IFED" and "IFED2" assign the 14 domestic CDS demand regions to the 9 Census divisions.

"ISEC" assigns the 49 CDS economic subsectors to the 6 NEMS economic sectors (Residential/Commercial, Industrial steam, Industrial metallurgical, Coal-to-liquids, Exports, and Electricity sectors).

"IPMM" and "IPMM2" assign the 14 domestic CDS demand regions to the 5 PMM regions.

"KCNU" is indexed with the demand region numbers and their two-letter alphabetic abbreviations. The array assigns coal groups to residential/commercial, industrial steam, metallurgical, and coal-to-liquids economic subsectors which are represented, in that order, by the first eight columns of integers.

The transportation index coefficients are located after "KCNU." " " Inputs for the transportation escalator are listed in columns below the transportation index coefficients. For *AEO2009*, only east and west productivity, investment, and the PPI for railroad equipment are actively used in the model.

"NUMEAST" and "NUMEASTSC" are defined next.

The next section shows average distances for western sourced coal, but this data input is currently not used in the *AEO2009*.

"BTR" previously defined rail transportation cost escalators. ("BTR" is not used in the *AEO2009*.)

"CSDISC" is used to adjust minemouth prices to reflect regional labor productivity changes during the forecast period. "CSDISC" is indexed by the two-letter alphabetic code abbreviations for the 14 CMM coal supply regions, with each group containing a value for each of the 41 years (1990-2030).

"KCUR" is used to assign coal groups to the 49 electricity subsectors. This parameter is indexed by demand region.

"ICSET" is used to define the coal groups, listing the coal sources included in each coal group. The structure of the array provides a row for each coal group, with the permitted coal sources indexed by supply region number (1 through 14) and coal type (1 through 8). Coal types are indexed in the order in which they occur in the CLPARAM array "COAL" (q.v., above).

CLHIST. This file contains historical overwrite information for production and prices for years 1998-2007.

CMMDBDEF. This file contains the coal database definition tables. Changes in the number of records within a definition most likely require a corresponding change to the clbdbdef include file and a recompilation of the orcltabs.f source code.

Table A-1. Parameter and Variable List for CDS

<u>Variable</u>	<u>Include File</u>	<u>Definition</u>
ABSULF(4,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Appalachia bituminous coal (million tons)
ABSULF_BTU(4,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Appalachia bituminous coal (trillion Btu)
ACMERC(MNUMYR)	coalrep	Tons of mercury removed using activated carbon
ALLCOALS(40)	cdscom2l	Supply coal type combinations (e.g. NACDB, NAMDB,etc.)
APPCDS=3	cdsparms	Number of CMM supply regions in Appalachia
APSULF(4,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Appalachian premium coal (million tons)
ASTN(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Assigned tons
ASTR(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Assigned trillion Btu
BASEYR	parametr	Base calendar year corresponding to CURIYR = 1
BSRZR(NTOTSECT,NDREG)	cdscom2l	Rail route multipliers by demand region; read in from clparam.txt; currently set to 1.0
BSRZR_UTIL(NFYRS)	cdscom2l	Input from clparam.txt; used to calibrate delivered utility coal prices
BTR(NSREG+1, NFYRS)	cdscom2l	Network rail rate multiplier; currently not used in the model
BTUTZR(NUTSEC,NDREG)	cdscom1l	Btu conversion factor for utility sectors (million Btu/ton)
BTW(NFYRS)	cdscom2l	Network water rate multiplier; currently not used in the model
C_ECP_BTU(MX_SO2T,NUTSEC+1,NDREG)	uso2grp	Trillion Btus by sulfur category, utility sector, and coal demand region
C_ECP_PRC(MX_SO2T,NDREG)	uso2grp	Coal price by sulfur category and by coal demand region (\$/mmBtu)
C_ECP_SO2(MX_SO2T,NDREG)	uso2grp	SO2 content by sulfur category and coal demand region (lbs/mmBtu)
CBTU(NSREG, NCOALTYP)	cdscom2l	Carbon factor by supply region and coal type
CDSIN(NDREG,MNUMCR)	cdsshr	Industrial sector share factors (read in from clshare.txt)
CDSMC(NDREG,MNUMCR)	cdsshr	Metallurgical coal sector share factors (read in from clshare.txt)
CDSRC(NDREG,MNUMCR)	cdsshr	Residential/commercial sector share factors (read in from clshare.txt)
CDTN(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Calculated delivered price/ton
CDTR(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Calculated delivered price/MMBtu
CDYRS(NMAXCTRK,NFYRS)	cdscom2l	Utility contract demand (trillion Btu)
CESIO	omlbuf	Memory required by coal LP model
CLITR	cdscpsp	Coal iteration
CLMAXITR	cdscpsp	Maximum number of coal iterations allowed
CLSULF(NSREG,4,3,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Coal production by supply region (million tons)
CLSULF_BTU(NSREG,4,3,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Coal production by supply region (trillion Btu)
CLSYNGQN(17,MNUMYR)	coalout	Coal synthetic natural gas quantity
CNCSET=10	cdsparms	Number of coals available within a set
CNTR(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Contract trillion Btu (lower bounds)

Table 2.C-1. Parameter and Variable List for CDS

<u>Variable</u>	<u>Include File</u>	<u>Definition</u>
COAL(NSREG,NCOALTYP)	cdscom2l	Coal type code (e.g. CSS (low sulfur/surface/subbituminous))
COALIYR	cdscom1l	Internal year index
COALPRICE(MNUMLR,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Coal price (\$/short ton)
COALPROD(MNUMCR,MNUMLR,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Coal distribution (million short tons)
COALPROD2(MNUMCR,MNUMLR,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Coal distribution including exports(million short tons)
COAL2GAS(MNUMCR,MNUMYR)	coalrep	Coal-to-gas (mainly Great Plains plant) in trillion Btus
COF(10)	cdscom2l	Coefficients for transportation equation
CPSB(3,MNUMYR)	coalout	Coal minemouth price in (\$/ton)
CPSBF(NSREG,NFYRS)	cdscom1l	Total minemouth price (\$/ton)
CPSFLG	cdscpsp	=0 before the CPS submodule is called and 1 afterwards
CQDBFB(MNUMCR,NEMSEC,MNUMYR)	coalout	Coal consumption (trillion Btu)
CQDBFT(MNUMCR,NEMSEC,MNUMYR)	coalout	Coal conversion factor for consumption (million Btu/ton)
CQEXP	cdscom1l	Total export demand (trillion Btu)
CQSBB(3,MNUMYR)	coalout	Coal production (East,West Miss, U.S.) (trillion Btu)
CQSBFB(NSREG,NFYRS)	cdscom1l	Coal production by CDS supply regions (million Btu)
CQSBFT(NSREG,NFYRS)	cdscom1l	Conversion factor for coal production (million Btu/ton)
CQSBT(3,MNUMYR)	coalout	Coal Btu conversion factor for production (million Btu/ton)
CRTN(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Calculated rate/ton
CSDISC(NSREG,NFYRS)	cdscom2l	Productivity adjustment factors
CT_USED(16,32)	cdsshr	Coal type used
CTRK_IDX(2,NCOALTYP,NSREG,NTOTDREG)	cdscom2l	Index for contracts (e.g. =1 for 1st contract, 2 for 2nd contract, etc.)
CURITR	ncntrl	Current iteration index
CURIYR	ncntrl	Current iteration year index
DEMDEX(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Index needed for sorting
DEMKEY(MAXTNAM)	cdsrevise	Key (8 digits demand, supply, sector, and coal type)
DEMRGN(NTOTDREG)	cdscom2l	Demand region (e.g. NE, YP, etc.)
DFCLOSE(DBFILE)	dfinc2	Function which terminates processing of a database file
DFMCBND(BNDNAME,CNAME,LVALUE,UVALUE)	dfinc2	Creates or changes a bound value
DFMCRTP(RNAME,TYPE)	dfinc2	Declares or changes the row type
DFMCVAL(CNAME,RNAME,VALUE)	dfinc2	Creates or changes a value for a row/column intersection
DFMEND()	dfinc2	Function which terminates matrix processing
DFMINIT(DB,MODE)	dfinc2	Initializes a database for matrix processing
DFOPEN(DBFILE,ACTFILE)	dfinc2	Opens the datafile for the LP problem

- Sector consumption for the residential/commercial, industrial steam, industrial coking, and electricity sectors plus total domestic consumption in millions of short tons
- Annual discrepancy (including the annual stock change)
- Average minemouth price in dollars per ton (the dollar year is provided)
- Sectoral delivered prices in dollars per ton for the industrial steam, industrial coking, and electricity sectors, and the weighted average for these three sectors
- Average free-alongside-ship price for exports, i.e., the dollar-per-ton value of exports at their point of departure from the United States..

Table 109, "Coal Production and Minemouth Prices By Region," provides annual summaries of national distribution from the same aggregated supply regions used in Table 87, plus subtotals for five subregions: "Appalachia", "Interior", "Western", "East of the Mississippi River", and "West of the Mississippi River". In the lower half of the table, minemouth prices are shown in dollars per ton for the same regions and subtotals

Table 110, "Coal Production by Region and Type" lists production in millions of short tons per forecast year by supply region by coal rank and sulfur level.

Table 111, "Coal Prices by Region and Type" lists minemouth prices for each forecast year by supply region by coal rank and sulfur level.

Tables 112, 113 and 114 show international coal trade projections for coal by international supply regions to the Europe/Mediterranean region, Asia, and the Americas.

Other outputs from the CDS occur in a number of NEMS tables. National coal production, consumption, and exports are reported in quadrillion Btu in NEMS Table 1, as is the minemouth price of coal in dollars per ton (Table 15). Annual energy consumption for the Residential, Commercial, Industrial (both industrial steam and coking consumption are shown) and the Electric Utility sector in quadrillion Btu are shown in NEMS Table 2. Table 3 gives delivered coal prices for these same sectors in dollars per million Btu. NEMS Table 20 in the *Supplement to the Annual Energy Outlook* shows Btu conversion rates for coal production (east and west of the Mississippi River, and the national average), and for coal consumed in the domestic NEMS sectors (Residential/Commercial, Industrial, Coking, and Electricity sectors).

Single Year Detailed Reports

The first report which is output to the CDS file is the Census Division Report, which shows sectoral statistics by Census division and for the Nation. The statistics reported are production in millions of tons, demand in trillion Btu, and the sectoral average Btu conversion factor. The minemouth, transportation, and delivered prices are shown in dollars per ton, and the delivered price is also shown in dollars per million Btu. No prices are shown for imported coal since it is not priced in the model. The next report, the Detailed Demand and Price Report, describes each demand met by the model in the year described and shows each increment of supply that

contributes to every demand in millions of tons. The demands are shown in millions of short tons and trillion Btu. This report also contains the adjusted minemouth price for each participant, the origin of the coal shipped, the type of coal shipped, and the associated transportation rate. Average prices and total quantities are provided for the major sectors in each demand region. This report is about 14 pages in length, depending on the year and scenario reported (usually one page per demand region). These reports are currently followed by a series of three single-page regional summary production reports. The first shows regional production and minemouth price (in millions of short tons and dollars per ton, respectively) by mine type. The second shows the same items by coal rank, while the third shows them by coal sulfur level.

These summary reports are followed by the Detailed Coal Production Report, showing the production, minemouth price, total energy content and Btu conversion factor for each coal supply source used in the reported year. This report is also formatted as a spreadsheet, with the coal types shown as rows and the supply regions as columns.

Appendix 2.D

Data Quality and Estimation

Development of the CDS Transportation Index

In *AEO2009*, coal transportation costs, both first- and second-tier rates, are modified over the forecast horizon by two regional (east and west) transportation indices. The indices, calculated econometrically, are measures of the change in average transportation rates, on a tonnage basis, that occurs between successive years for coal shipments. The methodology used to formulate these indices was revised for the *AEO2009*. An east index is used for coal originating from eastern supply regions while a west index is used for coal originating from western supply regions. The east index is a function of railroad productivity, the user cost of capital for railroad equipment, and national average diesel fuel price. The user cost of capital for railroad equipment is calculated from the producer price index for railroad equipment, projected to remain flat in real terms, and accounts for the opportunity cost of money used to purchase equipment, depreciation occurring as a result of use of the equipment (assumed at 10 percent), less any capital gain associated with the worth of the equipment. The west index is a function of railroad productivity, gross capital expenditures for Class I railroads, and western share of national coal consumption. The indices are universally applied to all domestic coal transportation movements within the CMM. In the *AEO2009* reference case, eastern coal transportation rates are projected to be 4 percent higher in 2030 and western rates are projected to be 18 percent higher in 2030 compared to 2007.

Background

Transportation rates can be expected to change over time as market conditions change. Historically, the majority of transportation agreements involved contracts that extended over many years. Despite the length of these contracts, escalator clauses were typically employed allowing rates to change in accordance with changing market conditions. In addition shorter contracts, which have become more prevalent, provide an opportunity for both parties involved to renegotiate their positions more frequently. The transportation indexing methodology used in *AEO2009* is needed within the CDS to simulate the changes that may occur in real coal transportation rates over the forecast horizon.

Prior to the *Annual Energy Outlook 1997 (AEO97)*, transportation indexing factors were derived from index data published by the Association of American Railroads. Beginning in *AEO97* and extending through *AEO2004*, an indexing methodology based on the producer price index (PPI) for the transportation of coal via rail was used. The PPI for coal transportation tracks the national average change in prices received by railroads for the transportation of coal. A statistical regression model was fitted to the PPI for coal rail transportation. The independent variables used in the formulation were intended to account for the input costs that would affect transportation rates over time and in the *AEO97* formulation included: trend (as a proxy for productivity), the price of No. 2 distillate fuel to the industrial sector, the PPI for transportation equipment, and the national average wage rate. (For more information regarding this formulation, see "Forecasting Annual Energy Outlook Coal Transportation Rates" by Jim Watkins in *Issues in Midterm Analysis and Forecasting 1997*.) For *AEO2004*, the PPI for rail transportation equipment was substituted for the PPI for transportation equipment as one of the independent variables. The PPI for rail transportation equipment was also converted to the user cost of capital of transportation equipment for use in the regression. In addition, for *AEO2004*, the average rail wage replaced the national average wage rate in the econometric formulation.

For *AEO2005*, the methodology used to derive the transportation index was again revised. The principal goals of the development of a revised transportation escalator for *AEO2005* were a statistically significant regression that included East and West regional differentiation and an improved representation of productivity. Although the factors that affect costs in the East and West are largely the same, there is evidence suggesting the weights of these factors on transportation costs differ for these two regions. For instance, Western coal traffic tends to be associated with longer hauls than Eastern traffic. Hence, the effect of distance on the change in average transportation cost for Western traffic is assumed to be more influential. In addition to the incorporation of a regional component, an improved representation of productivity was also an objective. In previous formulations of the transportation index, time trend served as a proxy for productivity. Time trend is not amenable to the development of sensitivity cases in which productivity falls or increases, therefore an alternative was sought.

For *AEO2009*, the methodology for the transportation index was once again revised. A revision was required because the FERC 580 survey, the basis for the *AEO2005* methodology, only includes a sample of coal shipments to electric utilities. As deregulation lowered the number of utilities nationwide, this sample size dropped even more. So, an update of the historical information for the dependent variable (transportation rate), distance, and contract information, all previously derived from the FERC Form 580, would not be representative of all coal shipments. The revised *AEO2009* methodology combines the historical FERC Form 580 information through 1999 (supplemented with information from the Surface Transportation Board's Carload Waybill Sample) with the average transportation rates inferred from the FERC Form 423, EIA 423 surveys, and EIA-7A surveys for the years 2000 through 2005 to approximate the dependent variable of the equation. As in *AEO2008*, the *AEO2009* methodology still includes separate econometric formulas for the East and the West.

Theoretical Approach

The general intent of the transportation index is to account for the variables that are correlated with or impact non-inflationary changes in average coal transportation rates over time. The approach taken to develop a revised formulation included a review of the factors contributing to historical changes in transportation rates, the development of a list of potential predictive variables, and the actual development of a regression model.

While coal is transported by rail, barge, truck, and conveyor, the most frequently used form of transportation for coal is rail. In 1980, 59 percent of coal was transported by rail alone. By 1999, this percentage increased to 76 percent.²² Currently, all modes of coal transportation are aggregated within the CDS. In addition, limited data resources are available for the less dominant modes of coal transport. For these reasons, the regression for *AEO2009* was formulated with a railroad focus.

The last 20 or so years have been characterized by rapid change in the railroad transportation industry. The Staggers Act of 1980 partially deregulated the railroad industry allowing greater flexibility in the prices charged to rail customers. Competitive pressures between rail companies inspired productivity improvements both related to and independent of the consolidation of the rail industry and the reduction of redundancies in the rail network. As the rail industry consolidated, many jobs were eliminated and replaced with investments in capital equipment. Unit trains, as long as 110 railcars and dedicated to the servicing of a single destination, contributed to improvements in average train speed and fuel economy. Larger, more powerful locomotives and the use of lighter aluminum rail cars, rather than those made entirely of steel, have also had a beneficial impact on productivity. Bigger rail cars, capable of holding

²² Source: Energy Information Administration, Coal Transportation Rate Database. The Coal Transportation Database represents only a sample of coal transportation shipments.

100 tons each, longer train sets, and double tracking are also among the improvements cited by the rail industry.

The Clean Air Act Amendment of 1990 (CAA90) imposed sulfur dioxide emissions limits on the electric power industry. As a result, more low sulfur western coal was being used and shipped to locations much further away than previously thought practical. This coal, lower in thermal content than typical eastern bituminous coals, previously was regarded as too high in moisture content and too volatile to transport long distances. Also, transportation rates from western supply regions became increasingly competitive to help western coal penetrate eastern markets. Lower competitively priced transportation rates coupled with low western minemouth prices and lower sulfur content made many generators interested in at least trying western subbituminous coal. For *AEO2009* for the West transportation index, an increasing share of western coal required to satisfy national coal demand is assumed to be negatively correlated with transportation rates.

The railroad industry is capital intensive and requires investments in the purchase and servicing of equipment such as freight cars, land, inventory, and structures such as tracks. Without investments in capital structure, many productivity improvements would not have occurred in the historical period. For this reason, some representation of investment was deemed to be a necessity for the regression used in *AEO2009*. For the east regression, the PPI for rail transportation equipment was transformed into a user cost of capital for rail equipment by accounting for the interest rate, depreciation, and any capital gain or loss associated with the investment. Unlike productivity, which is expected to push prices downward, with all other variables held constant, an increase in the user cost of capital tends to increase transportation rates. For the west, the same term did not prove significant. Instead, gross capital expenditures for Class I railroads was used as a proxy for western railroad investments.

While diesel fuel historically has represented a fairly small share, 9 percent²³, of the railroad operating costs and fixed charges, recent years' high fuel costs are assumed to have an increasing impact on overall transportation costs. Diesel fuel is included in the explanatory variables for the eastern formulation for the year 2005. Diesel fuel did not appear to be significant for the western formulation and does not have an effect on the formula for the east in the years prior to 2005.

For the dependent variable, calculated prices from the Coal Transportation Rate Database (CTRDB) were used to develop the index for the historical period from 1980 to 1999. This data was based on the FERC 580 Form in combination with supplemental data from the Surface Transportation Board's Carload Waybill Sample. Multi-mode shipments were included with rail since rail travel is frequently a component of multi-mode shipments. For the time period, 2000 through 2005 average transportation rates were inferred from the FERC Form 423 and EIA Form 423 surveys and the EIA Form 7A. The 423 surveys provide delivered price information for the electricity sector while minemouth prices are obtained from the EIA-7A survey. The difference between the delivered prices and minemouth price is assumed to be the transportation rate. The resulting data series was merged with the CTRDB data by rebasing both series to their respective 1999 values (indexed to 1.00).

The variables: productivity, user cost of capital of railroad equipment (east), investment dollars (west), diesel fuel price (east), and western share of national coal demand (east), were chosen due to their ability to explain the historical time period, their availability, the ability to develop reasonable estimates of their future values for NEMS, and their ability to generate a statistically reasonable regression.

²³ Association of American Railroads, *AAR Railroad Cost Indexes* (September 2003), p. 4.

Equation Specification

EAST INDEX = f(PRODUCTIVITY, USER COST OF CAPITAL OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT, DIESEL FUEL PRICE)

and

WEST INDEX = f(PRODUCTIVITY, INVESTMENT DOLLARS, WESTERN SHARE OF NATIONAL COAL DEMAND)

where:

EAST and WEST INDEX, the dependent variables, are the values of the transportation price index in year t for coal originating East of the Mississippi River and West of the Mississippi River, respectively. For the historical data series (1980 through 1999), this value is calculated from the yearly average transportation rates (dollars per ton) calculated from the CTRDB for rail and multi-mode shipments of coal originating from eastern supply sources for the East index and from western supply sources for the West index. The CTRDB nominal dollars per ton is subsequently divided by the chain-weighted implicit gross domestic product (GDP) deflator to convert the rate to real 1987 dollars, and has a value of 1 in 1999 because it was rebased to 1999.

The CTRDB represents only a subset of the electric power industry. The CTRDB, is mainly based on the FERC 580 Form, "Interrogatory on Fuel and Energy Purchase Practices," which collects information from jurisdictional utilities (investor-owned utilities that sell electric power at wholesale prices to other utilities) owning at least one power plant of 50 MW or more. The FERC 580 collects coal shipment information and transportation costs related to contract shipments between coal utilities and coal producers and brokers of one year or greater in duration on a biannual basis. This database is also supplemented with data from the Surface Transportation Board's Carload Waybill Sample.

The data years 1998 through 2005, transportation rates were imputed using the difference between the delivered price of coal to the electricity sector on the FERC and EIA Forms 423 and the minemouth prices from the EIA-7A. This methodology was not used for earlier years due to the unavailability of data before 1998. For this series, data was rebased so that 1999 equals 1.00 and then merged with the CTRB data for the years 1999 through 2005.

PRODUCTIVITY is defined as billion ton-miles per employee per year for Class I railroads classified as Western carriers for 1980 through 1999. This variable has not been converted to an index. The ton-miles and employee information is derived from data collected by the Association of American Railroads (AAR) and annual reports from the major four largest freight railroads and represents productivity for these railroads' entire freight traffic, not just coal.

Ton-miles per employee is calculated by multiplying the total revenue tons by the average length of haul for all freight shipments divided by railroad employees for Class I railroads. Class I railroads are defined by the Surface Transportation Board as those line haul freight railroads whose earning adjusted annual operating revenues for three consecutive years exceeds 250 million dollars.²⁴ The definition of Class I railroads has changed over time as the revenue criteria has changed and railroads enter and exit the railroad industry. Class I railroads generate the majority of the revenue and move the majority of the freight in the rail industry. In performing the calculation, east tons and average haul are calculated from

²⁴ Surface Transportation Board, Statistics of CI I Frt Rrs 2003.pdf, web site <http://www.stb.dot.gov>.

shipments originating in the East while west tons and average haul are calculated from shipments originating in the West. In calculating the number of Eastern employees, the following railroad companies were included in the historical series: CSX Transportation, Norfolk Southern, Consolidated Rail, Illinois Central, and Florida East Coast Railway Company. In calculating the number of Western employees, the following railroad companies were included in the historical series: Union Pacific, Burlington Northern & Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, Chicago & North Western, Grand Trunk Corporation, Soo Line Railroad, and Kansas City.

USER COST OF CAPITAL OF RAILROAD EQUIPMENT (UCC) is calculated from the producer price index (PPI) for railroad equipment. The PPI is obtained from the Bureau of Labor Statistics series WPS144. The user cost of capital is intended to capture the true cost of purchasing transportation equipment. The user cost of capital accounts for the opportunity cost of money used to purchase the equipment, depreciation occurring as a result of use of the equipment (assumed at 10 percent), less any capital gain associated with the worth of the equipment. The formula to convert the PPI to a user cost of capital is the following:

$$UCC_t = (r_t + \delta - (p_t - p_{t-1})/p_{t-1}) * p_t$$

where

r_t is a proxy for the real rate of interest, where $r_t = ((AA \text{ Utility Bond Rate}_t + \text{greenhouse gas risk premium})/100) - [GDP \text{ Deflator}_t - GDP \text{ Deflator}_{t-1}]/GDP \text{ Deflator}_{t-1}$;

δ is the rate of depreciation on railroad equipment, assumed to equal 10 percent; and

p_t is the PPI for railroad equipment, adjusted to constant 1987 dollars using the GDP deflator for year t .

The three terms represented in the annual user cost of railroad equipment are defined as follows:

rp_t is the opportunity cost of having funds tied up in railroad equipment in year t ;

δp_t is the compensation to the railroad company for depreciation in year t ; and

$((p_t - p_{t-1})/ p_{t-1}) p_t$ is the capital gain on railroad equipment (in a period of declining capital prices, this term will take on a negative value, increasing the user cost of capital for year t).

INVESTMENT is calculated from the gross capital expenditures of Class I railroads in a given year, sourced from the *U.S. Census Bureau Statistical Abstract*. These gross capital expenditures include expenditures on equipment, roadway, and structures.

RHO: In conducting the regression for the West index, the Durbin Watson statistic indicated autocorrelation was present. Autocorrelation indicates that some portion of the error term is capable of being forecasted but is not represented by the independent variables in the equation. A correction for autocorrelation, rho, was incorporated into the equation.

A semi-log linear specification was used to develop the West econometric formula. Using ordinary least squares (OLS) regression and correcting for autocorrelation in the case of the West index, the following equations were derived:

$$\text{EAST INDEX} = [A_E + B1 * \text{productivity}_t + B2 * \text{uccreque}_t + B3 * \text{DUM05} * \text{diesel fuel price}_t] / \text{EAST INDEX}_O$$

$$\text{WEST INDEX} = [\text{WEST INDEX}_{t-1}^{\text{rho}} * \exp(A_w * (1 - \text{rho})) + (B5 * \text{invest}_t) - (B5 * \text{rho} * \text{invest}_{t-1}) + (B4 * \text{productivity}_t) - (B4 * \text{rho} * \text{productivity}_{t-1}) + (B6 * \text{wshnat}_t) - (B6 * \text{rho} * \text{wshnat}_{t-1})] / \text{WEST INDEX}_O$$

where:

$$A_E = 1.52167$$

$$B1 = -0.111316$$

$$B2 = 0.013095$$

$$B3 = 0.041155$$

$$\text{DUM05} = 0.267582$$

EAST INDEX_O = the value of EAST INDEX in the base year of the forecast (2007)

$$A_w = 0.713272$$

$\text{rho} = 0.511326$ (correction for autocorrelation)

$$B5 = 0.432198$$

$$B4 = -0.099192$$

$$B6 = -0.745444$$

WEST INDEX_O = the value of WEST INDEX in the base year of the forecast (2007)

uccreque = user cost of capital for railroad equipment

wshnatl = western share of national coal demand

invest = Class I railroad investment dollar index

Table 2.D-1. Statistical Regression Results

	EAST INDEX	WEST INDEX
Method of estimation:	Ordinary Least Squares	Ordinary Least Squares
Number of observations:	26 (years 1980-2005)	25 (years 1981-2005)
Mean of dependent variable:	1.28233	0.274179
Standard deviation of dep. var.:	.216344	0.336505
Sum of squared residuals:	.082762	0.043061
Variance of residuals:	0.3941104 ⁻⁰²	0.215304 ⁻⁰²
Standard error of regression:	0.062778	0.046401
R ² :	0.929270	0.984311
Adjusted R ² :	0.915798	0.981174
LM heteroscedasity test:	1.07537	
Durbin-Watson:	1.81011	1.90143
Jarque-Bera test:	.789656	
Ramsey's RESET2:	34.23829	
F (zero slopes):	68.9762	
Schwarz B.I.C.:	-29.7108	-36.3704
Log likelihood:	37.8561	44.4176

EAST INDEX

<i>Variable</i>	<i>Estimated Coefficient</i>	<i>Standard Error</i>	<i>t-statistic</i>	<i>P-value</i>
Constant	1.52167	0.108332	14.0464	[0.000]
Productivity	-0.111316	0.982247 ⁻⁰²	-11.3328	[0.000]
User cost of capital for rail equipment	0.013095	0.447212 ⁻⁰²	2.92825	[0.008]
Diesel fuel price	0.041155	0.984610 ⁻⁰²	4.17981	[0.000]
DUM05 (for year 2005)	0.267582	0.092649	2.88814	[0.009]

WEST INDEX

<i>Variable</i>	<i>Estimated Coefficient</i>	<i>Standard Error</i>	<i>t-statistic</i>	<i>P-value</i>
Constant	0.713272	0.149504	4.77091	[0.000]
Productivity	-0.099192	0.014106	-7.03173	[0.000]
Western share of national coal demand)	-0.745444	0.422399	-1.76479	[0.078]
Investment	0.432198	0.169639	2.54775	[0.011]
Rho	0.511326	0.273240	1.87134	[0.061]

Table 2.D-2. Data Sources for Transportation Variables

Variable	Units	Historical Data	Forecasted Data
Transportation Rate	No units (index)	1980-1999: Derived from Energy Information Administration, Coal Transportation Rate Database (CTRDB); 2000-2005: imputed from difference between delivered prices on FERC/EIA Form 423 and minemouth prices from EIA-7A	Forecasted endogenously from econometric equation.
Productivity	Billion Freight Ton-Miles/Employee	Derived from data from the Association of American Railroads and Class I Railroads' Annual 10-K Reports	Projected to remain flat from 2007 levels
User Cost of Capital for Rail Equipment	No units (index)	Derived from the PPI for rail equipment from Bureau of Labor Statistics (Series WPS144).	PPI for rail equipment was forecasted exogenously (0.04 percent real average annual decline from 2006 levels in AEO2009)
Gross Capital Expenditures (includes equipment, roadway, and structures) for Class I railroads	Million Dollars	U.S. Census Bureau, <i>Census Bureau Statistical Abstract</i> , (Washington, DC, various editions), web site http://www.census.gov/compendia/statab/	Increases proportionately with year-over-year change in western tons plus a multiplicative factor of 1.005
Western share of national coal demand	Percentage	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , (Washington, DC, June 2007), Table 3.3, web site http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/aer/pdf/aer.pdf	Linked to model output
Diesel Price	Dollars per million Btu	Energy Information Administration, <i>Annual Energy Review 2007</i> , (Washington, DC, June 2007), Table 3.3, web site http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/aer/pdf/aer.pdf	For AEO2009, the coefficient in changed to zero in order to avoid double-counting the effects of the fuel surcharge discussed below.

Table 2.D-3: Historical Data Used to Calculate East Index

Year	Productivity (East ton- miles/East employees)	UCC Rail Equip	Diesel Fuel Price (nominal dollars per mmBtu)	Transportation Rate (1987 dollars, 1999=1.00)	GDP Deflator
1980	1.75	12.63	5.90	1.43	0.74
1981	1.82	21.39	7.17	1.58	0.81
1982	1.82	25.11	6.79	1.58	0.86
1983	2.24	24.54	5.96	1.61	0.89
1984	2.48	24.53	5.93	1.62	0.92
1985	2.52	21.81	5.69	1.48	0.95
1986	2.63	20.35	3.45	1.49	0.97
1987	3.11	21.30	3.97	1.45	1.00
1988	3.40	18.26	3.61	1.47	1.03
1989	3.54	14.44	4.22	1.39	1.07
1990	3.94	16.63	5.23	1.37	1.11
1991	4.09	17.00	4.67	1.34	1.15
1992	4.32	18.13	4.46	1.20	1.18
1993	4.66	16.79	4.34	1.24	1.21
1994	5.07	15.75	3.99	1.12	1.23
1995	5.35	14.44	4.04	1.14	1.26
1996	5.68	16.89	4.91	1.14	1.28
1997	6.07	19.95	4.63	1.14	1.30
1998	6.20	17.08	3.56	1.05	1.32
1999	6.04	17.54	4.21	1.00	1.34
2000	6.59	16.99	6.74	0.99	1.37
2001	6.94	17.21	6.07	1.24	1.40
2002	7.47	16.78	5.49	1.15	1.42
2003	7.78	15.42	6.81	0.91	1.45
2004	8.52	11.56	8.96	0.96	1.50
2005	8.35	6.55	12.88	1.29	1.54

Table 2.D-4: Historical Data Used to Calculate West Index

Year	Productivity (West ton- miles/West employees)	Investment (1987 dollars, 1981= 1.00)	Western Share of National Coal Demand	Transportation Rate (1987 dollars, 1999=1.00)	GDP Deflator
1981	2.50	1.00	0.24	1.89	0.81
1982	2.57	0.97	0.24	1.96	0.86
1983	2.98	0.93	0.24	1.96	0.89
1984	3.31	1.19	0.24	2.15	0.92
1985	3.32	1.15	0.29	2.04	0.95
1986	3.64	1.13	0.23	2.13	0.97
1987	4.41	1.12	0.24	1.94	1.00
1988	4.88	1.12	0.26	1.73	1.03
1989	5.18	1.11	0.26	1.65	1.07
1990	5.47	1.06	0.30	1.57	1.11
1991	5.78	1.06	0.32	1.34	1.15
1992	6.21	1.04	0.31	1.33	1.18
1993	6.54	1.04	0.36	1.25	1.21
1994	7.20	1.05	.36	1.19	1.23
1995	8.03	1.07	0.39	1.17	1.26
1996	8.64	1.15	0.37	1.10	1.28
1997	8.58	1.18	0.36	1.09	1.30
1998	8.71	1.24	0.48	1.02	1.32
1999	9.43	1.30	0.42	1.00	1.34
2000	10.11	1.30	0.42	0.92	1.37
2001	10.72	1.31	0.43	0.87	1.40
2002	11.00	1.30	0.44	0.87	1.42
2003	11.49	1.39	0.45	0.83	1.45
2004	11.94	1.42	0.50	0.83	1.50
2005	11.71	1.53	0.48	0.89	1.54

For the projection period, the explanatory values are assumed to have varying impacts on the calculation of the indices. In calculating the user cost of capital, a risk premium is added to the cost of borrowing in order to account for the possibility that greenhouse gas emissions may be regulated in the future. For the west index, investment (gross capital expenditures for Class I railroads) is assumed to increase with an increase in western coal tons. Increases in investment (west) and the user cost of capital for railroad equipment (east) are both assumed to be positively correlated with transportation rates. In other words, an increase in investment dollars or the user cost of capital for railroad equipment will tend to be associated with an increase in transportation rates, with all other variables held constant. Historically, cost savings derived from improvements in productivity have been accompanied by declining transportation rates. For both the east and the west, any related financial savings due to productivity improvements through 2030 are assumed to be retained by the railroads and are not passed on to shippers in the form of lower transportation rates. For that reason, productivity is held flat for the projection period for both regions. For the east, for the projection period, diesel fuel is removed from the equation in order to avoid double-counting the influence of diesel fuel costs with the impact of the fuel surcharge program.

Fuel Surcharge

Major coal rail carriers have implemented fuel surcharge programs in which higher transportation fuel costs have been passed on to shippers. While the programs vary in their design, the Surface Transportation Board (STB), the regulatory body with limited authority to oversee rate disputes, has

recommended that the railroads agree to develop some consistencies among their disparate programs and has likewise recommended closely linking the charges to actual fuel use. The STB has cited the use of a mileage-based program as one means to more closely estimate actual fuel expenses.

A fuel surcharge program was incorporated into the coal transportation rates for the first time in *AEO2007* and was based on BNSF Railway Company's mileage-based program for all regions. For *AEO2009*, the methodology is based on BNSF Railway Company's mileage-based program for western coal sources and for the east, the methodology is based on CSX Transportation's mileage-based program. The surcharge becomes effective when the projected nominal distillate price to the transportation sector exceeds \$1.25 per gallon for the west and \$2.00 per gallon for the east. For the west, for every \$0.06 cent per gallon increase above \$1.25, a \$0.01 per carload mile is charged, and for the east, every \$0.04 cent per gallon increase above \$2.00, a \$0.01 per gallon fee is assessed. The number of tons per carload and the number of miles vary with each supply and demand region combination and are a pre-determined model input. The final calculated surcharge (in constant dollars per ton) is added to the escalator-adjusted transportation rate.

For *AEO2009*, it was assumed that the base year (2007) transportation rates already included an assessed fuel surcharge. For *AEO2009*, the model calculates the fuel surcharges for 2007 and subtracts it from the corresponding base year transportation rate. These modified, lower, base year transportation rates are used in subsequent forecast years and the fuel surcharges and transportation escalators for a specific forecast year are applied to these lower rates.

CDS Data Sources

EIA maintains a number of annual surveys of coal production and distribution. The agency also has access to several data surveys collected for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) that report the fuel purchase and delivery practices of the Nation's electricity sector. Other information comes from Census Bureau forms reporting coal imports and exports. Data from the Association of American Railroads, the Surface Transportation Board, the Mine Safety and Health Administration, and State agency reports of mining activity supplement these sources.

- Form EIA-3, "Quarterly Coal Consumption Report—Manufacturing Plants", surveys heat, sulfur and ash content of coal receipts delivered to industrial steam coal consumers by consumption location and state of origin.
- Form EIA-5, "Quarterly Coal Consumption and Quality Report, Coke Plants", surveys volatility, sulfur and ash content of coal receipts delivered to coke plants by consumption location and state of origin.
- Form EIA-6A, "Coal Distribution Report - Annual" covers distribution from mine to consumer by economic sector, transport mode, and tonnage.
- Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report" covers 5,000 coal producers and reports production, minemouth prices, coal seams mined, labor productivity, employment, stocks, and recoverable reserves at mines. A supplement in 1983 covered prices, Btu, ash, and sulfur content as sold to individual economic sectors; but these data were collected on a "Dry" basis. (Energy Information Administration, *Coal Production 1984*, DOE/EIA-0118(84) (Washington, DC, November 1985).

- Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report," covers 100 percent of electricity generating plants with 50 megawatts (MW) or more of capacity, reporting consumption and stocks.
- Form EIA-423, "Monthly Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants Report" covers electric non-utility plants with capacity of 50 MW or more and reports delivered cost, receipts, ash, Btu, sulfur ("As Received" basis), and sources.
- FERC Form 423, "Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants" covers electric utility plants with capacity of 50 MW or more and reports delivered cost, receipts, ash, Btu, sulfur ("As Received" basis), and sources.
- FERC Form 580, "Interrogatory on Fuel and Energy Purchase Practices", is a biennial survey of investor-owned utilities selling electricity in interstate markets and having capacity over 50 MW; coverage of contractual base tonnage, tonnage shipped, ash, Btu, sulfur and moisture ("As Received" basis), minemouth price, freight charges, coal source and destination, shipping modes, transshipments (if any), and distances.
- Form EM 545 from the Census Bureau records coal exports by rank, value and tonnage from each port district. The Form IM 145 reports imports by rank, value, tonnage, and port district.
- The Carload Waybill Sample, administered by the Surface Transportation Board, contains confidential information on a sample of waybills from those railroads that terminate at least 4,500 cars per year. The data collected includes origin, destination, tons, commodity type, revenue, and distance information. This information has been used to supplement EIA's CTRDB database.

Data Gaps

The resources that are available to support the NEMS CPS and CDS include a series of databases that are valuable for their national scope and Census-like coverage. However, as shown in Table 2.D-5, no data are routinely collected on the quality of coal produced at the mine or the minemouth price for coals of different quality levels. While EIA publishes data identifying the tonnage of exported coal mined in each State and the Department of Commerce collects data on the tonnage exported (by port district), there are no data to identifying the tonnage from each mining State that is exported at each port of exit. Also, there are currently no data describing the minemouth price for coal delivered to any of the economic sectors modeled. The FERC Form 423 and EIA-423 together with the forms EIA-3A and EIA-5Q provide some coal quality data but are restricted to the electricity, industrial steam and coking coal sectors. In order to address the ongoing problem of respondents who are missing from both EIA-423 and FERC Form 423 (due to non-response), EIA-906 and data from previous years' surveys were used to estimate coal deliveries at various electric generators. Coals consumed by these surveyed sectors (electricity, industrial steam, and coking coal) are known to differ in quality from coals delivered to sectors currently unsurveyed (the Residential, Commercial, Export Metallurgical and Export Steam sectors). However, consumption in the unsurveyed sectors accounted for a small percentage of production.

Available data on coal transportation rates are restricted to the nonproprietary data collected on FERC Form 580. In addition to the withholding of proprietary data on the survey, its coverage is restricted to a

portion of the electric utility sector that excludes both some of the largest and many of the smaller electricity generation utilities in the Nation. The difference between delivered costs as shown on the FERC Form 423 and EIA-423, Forms EIA-3, EIA-5, and EM 545 and minemouth costs as shown on Form EIA-7A in the most recent available historical year is used to estimate transportation rates. The use of this method allows estimation of different rates from each supply curve to each sector in each demand region, but—even if data for more remote historical years were used—can do little to provide transportation rates for routes that have not been used. More than half the routes indicated by the CDS supply and demand region classification structures have not been used for coal transport in significant quantities in recent years. In the version of the CDS documented here, rates for these routes have been synthesized using available data on tariff rates and analytical judgment, while others that are unlikely to be used are given dummy values that prevent their use.

The general availability of coal-related data that were used to build and calibrate the CDS for the *Annual Energy Outlook 2009* is summarized in Table 2.D-5.

Table 2.D-5. Survey Sources for CMM Inputs by Demand Sector

ITEM	NON-UTILITY AND UTILITY	IPP	INDUSTRIAL	COKING	RES/COM	EXPORT	IMPORT	MINE
Prices: Minemouth Delivered	NA EIA/F423	NA NA	NA EIA-3	NA EIA-5	NA NA	NA EM522	NA EIA-3/ EIA-5/	EIA-7A NA
Transport: Mode Miles Origin Destination	FERC 580 FERC 580 EIA/F423 EIA/F423	NA NA NA EIA-860B	NA NA EIA-3 EIA-3	NA NA EIA-5 EIA-5	NA NA EIA-6A EIA-6A	NA NA EIA-6A EM522/ EIA-6A	NA NA IM545 EIA-3/ EIA-5/ EIA/F423	NA NA EIA-7A NA
Tonnage: Production Distribution Receipts Consumption Stocks	NA EIA-6A EIA/F423 EIA- 759 EIA- 759	NA NA NA EIA-860B NA	NA EIA-6A EIA-3 EIA-3 EIA-3	NA EIA-6A EIA-5 EIA-5 EIA-5	NA EIA-6A NA NA NA	NA EIA-6A NA EM522 NA	NA NA NA NA NA	EIA-7A NA NA NA NA EIA-7A
Quality: Rank/Grade Volatiles% Btu Content Sulfur % Ash % Particulates SO2 NOX COX	EIA/F423 NA EIA/F423 EIA/F423 EIA/F423 EIA-767 EIA-767 EIA-767 EIA-767	EIA-860B NA EIA-860B EIA-860B EIA-860B NA NA NA NA	NA NA EIA-3 EIA-3 EIA-3	NA EIA-5 NA EIA-5 NA	NA NA NA NA NA	EM522 NA NA NA NA NA NA NA	IM545 NA EIA-3 EIA-5 EIA/F423 NA NA NA NA	EIA-7A NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA
EIA/F423= EIA-423 & FERC 423 NA=Not available								

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Appendix 2.F

Coal Distribution Submodule Program Availability

The source code for the CDS program is available from the program office:

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3. Coal Distribution Submodule — International Component

Introduction

The purpose of Section 3 of the Coal Market Module documentation is to define the objectives of the modeling approach used to forecast international coal trade in the Coal Distribution Submodule (CDS), to describe the basic approach, and to provide information on the model formulation and application. It is intended as a reference document for the model analysts, users, and the public. The report conforms to requirements specified in Public Law 93-275, Section 57(B)(1) (as amended by Public Law 94-385, Section 57.b.2).

Model Summary

The international component of the CDS projects coal trade flows from 17 coal-exporting regions (5 of which are in the United States) to 20 importing regions (4 of which are in the United States) for 3 coal types—coking, low-sulfur bituminous, and subbituminous. The model consists of exports, imports, trade and transportation components. The major coal exporting countries represented include: the United States, Australia, South Africa, Canada, Indonesia, China, Colombia, Venezuela, Poland, the countries of the Former Soviet Union, and Vietnam. Beginning in *AEO2006*, the structure of the international component of the CDS has been updated to endogenously model U.S. imports. The U.S. import algorithm is integrated with the domestic component of the CDS.

Model Archival Citation and Model Contact

The version of the CDS documented in this report is that archived for the forecasts presented in the *Annual Energy Outlook 2009*.

Name: Coal Distribution Submodule-International Component

Acronym: CDS

Archive Package: NEMS08 (Available from the Energy Information Administration, Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting)

Model Contact: Diane Kearney, Department of Energy, EI-82, Washington DC 20585
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Organization

This section of the report describes the modeling approach used in the International Component of the CDS used to project international coal trade. Subsequent sections of this report describe:

- The model objective, input and output, and relationship to other models
- The theoretical approach, assumptions, and other approaches

- The model structure, including key computations and equations. An inventory of model inputs and outputs, detailed mathematical specifications, bibliography, and model abstract are included in the Appendices.

Model Purpose and Scope

Model Objectives

The objective of the international component of the CDS is to provide annual forecasts (through 2030) of world coal trade flows.

Coal exports in the international area of the CDS is modeled using 3 coal types, premium bituminous, low-sulfur bituminous, and subbituminous coals (Table 3.1). These coal types represent unique combinations of heat and sulfur content. There are 17 geographic export regions (Table 3.2) including 5 U.S. export regions, 2 Canadian export regions, and 10 additional major coal exporting countries. The 5 U.S. coal export regions in the CMM (Figure 3.1) include the Northern Interior, the East Coast, the Gulf Coast, the Southwest and West, and the Non-Contiguous U.S. These U.S. regions represent aggregations of ports-of-exit through which exported coal passes on its way from domestic export regions to foreign consumers. For instance, the Northern Interior includes 12 ports of exit including locations ranging from Boston, MA to Great Falls, MT. The Non-Contiguous U.S. region is only represented by two ports of exit, Anchorage and Seward, AK. These domestic port districts are identified in Table 3.2.

The coking and steam sectors define the international coal import sectors. The CMM coal types available to satisfy imports for the two international coal sectors are listed in Table 3.1. There are 20 coal import regions represented in the CMM (Table 3.3). The coal import regions for the U.S. are the same as the coal export regions except that the Southwest and West is excluded. Canada is split into two coal import regions, Eastern and Interior. The remaining 14 coal import regions are represented as either individual countries or groups of two or more countries.

The U.S. share of world coal markets is defined as a linear optimization problem and is solved simultaneously with the domestic coal forecast.

Four key user-specified inputs are required. They include coal import requirements, coal export curves, transportation costs, and constraints (Figure 3.2). The primary outputs are annual world coal trade flows.

Relationship to Other Modules

The model generates regional forecasts for U.S. coal exports. These international U.S. export requirements are shared with to the domestic portion of the CDS so that sufficient production is allocated to U.S. exports. The CDS also projects U.S. imports required to satisfy coal demand in the U.S. established by the industrial and electricity models.

Table 3.1. CDS International Coal Export Types and Demand Sectors

Coal Export Type	Heat Content (million Btu per short ton)	Sulfur Content (Pounds sulfur per million Btu)	Corresponding NEMS CPS/CDS Coal Types	Demand Sector
Premium	>=25	<1.67	MDP, CDP	Coking or Steam
Low-Sulfur Bituminous	>=20 but < 25	<1.67	CDB, CSB, MDB, MSB	Steam
Subbituminous	<=15 but < 20	<0.60	CSS	Steam

Note: For definitions of NEMS CPS/CDS coal types see Table 1.1 of this report

Figure 3.1. U.S. Export and Import Regions Used in the CDS

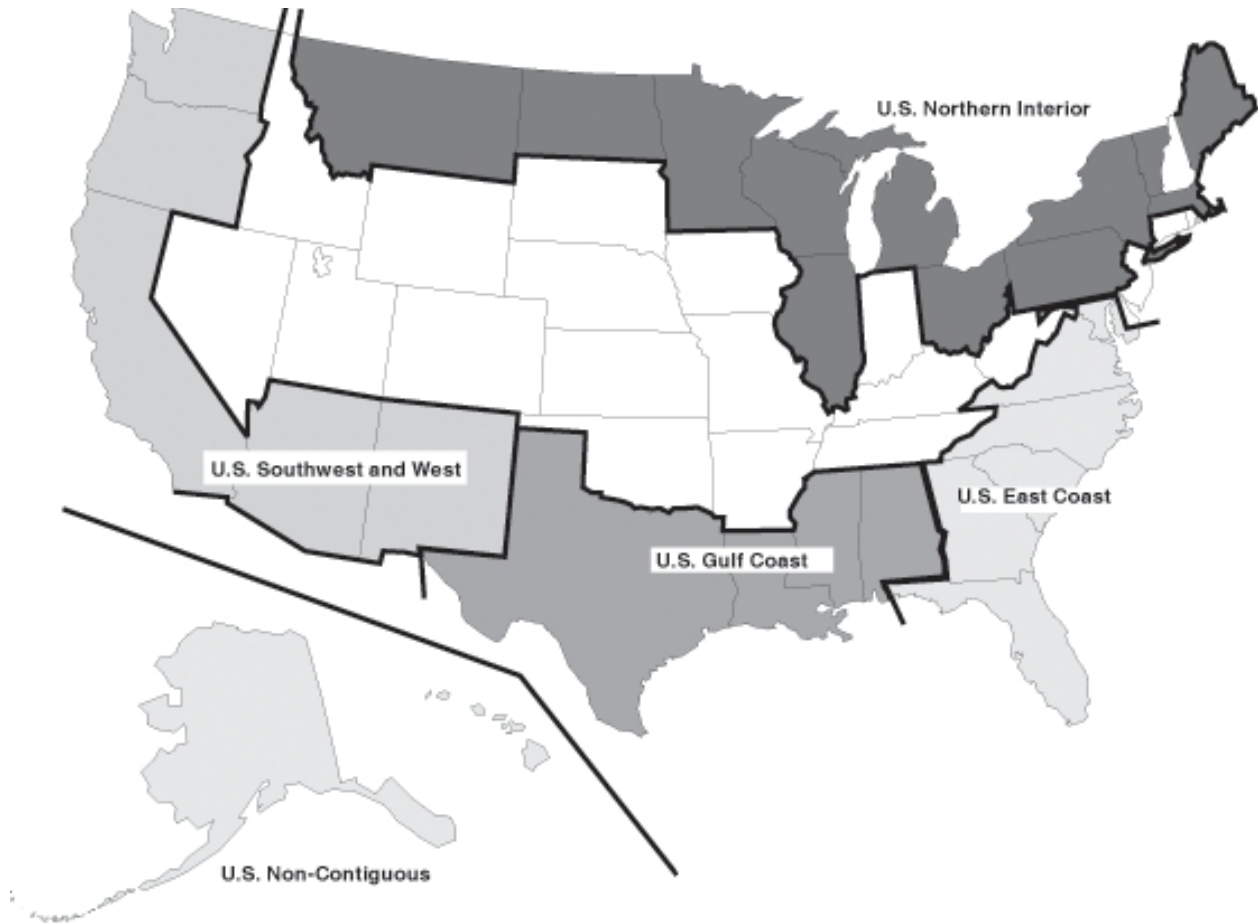


Figure 3.2. International Component Inputs/Outputs

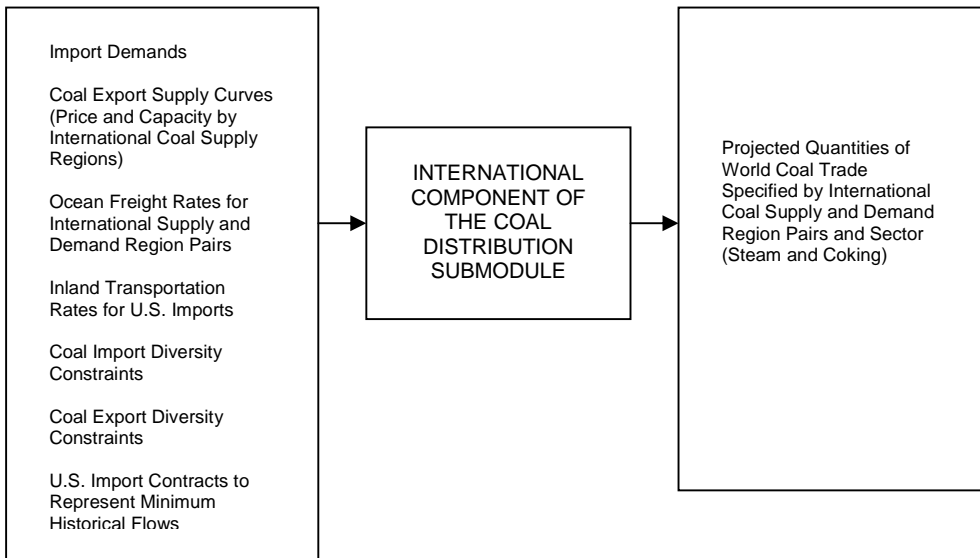


Table 3.2. CDS Coal Export Regions

Export Regions	Domestic Port Districts
1 U.S. Interior (I)	Boston, MA Portland, ME St. Albans, VT Buffalo, NY Ogdensburg, NY New York, NY Philadelphia, PA Detroit, MI Cleveland, OH Duluth, MN Pembina, ND Great Falls, MT
2 U.S. East Coast (E)	Baltimore, MD Norfolk, VA Charleston, SC Savannah, GA Miami, FL San Juan, PR US Virgin Islands Tampa, FL
3 Gulf Coast (G)	Mobile, AL New Orleans, LA Houston-Galveston, TX Laredo, TX El Paso, TX
4 Southwest and West (W)	Nogales, AZ San Diego, CA Los Angeles, CA San Francisco, CA Stockton, CA Richmond, CA Portland, OR Seattle, WA
5 U.S. Non-Contiguous (A)	Anchorage, AK Seward, AK
6 Australia	NA
7 Canada, Western	NA
8 Canada, Interior	NA
9 South Africa	NA
10 Poland	NA
11 Eurasia (exports to Europe)	NA
12 Eurasia (exports to Asia)	NA
13 China	NA
14 Colombia	NA
15 Indonesia	NA
16 Venezuela	NA
17 Vietnam	NA

NA = Not applicable.

Table 3.3. CDS Coal Import Regions

Import Regions	Countries
1 U.S. East Coast (E)	NA
2 U.S. Gulf Coast (G)	NA
3 U.S. Northern Interior (I)	NA
4 U.S. Non-Contiguous (N)	NA
5 Canada, Eastern	NA
6 Canada, Interior	NA
7 Scandinavia	Denmark Finland Norway Sweden
8 United Kingdom/Ireland	NA
9 Germany/Austria	NA
10 Other NW Europe	Belgium France Luxembourg Netherlands
11 Iberia	Portugal Spain
12 Italy	NA
13 Med./E. Europe	Algeria Bulgaria Croatia Egypt Greece Israel Malta Morocco Romania Tunisia Turkey
14 Mexico	NA
15 South America	Argentina Brazil Chile Peru Puerto Rico
16 Japan	NA
17 East Asia	North Korea South Korea Taiwan
18 China/Hong Kong	NA
19 ASEAN	Malaysia Philippines Thailand
20 Indian sub/S. Asia	Bangladesh India Iran Pakistan Sri Lanka

NA = Not applicable.

Model Rationale

Theoretical Approach

The core of the international component of the CDS is a linear programming optimization model. This LP finds the pattern of coal production and trade flows that minimizes the production and transportation costs of meeting a set of regional net import requirements. The basic underlying assumption regarding the modeling of international coal trade in the CDS is that the international coal market is essentially a perfectly competitive market. The key conditions of a perfect market are that there are no real significant barriers to entry and exit on the export side, there are a large number of buyers and sellers, and no single buyer or seller controls enough of the market so as to be able to exert pricing power.

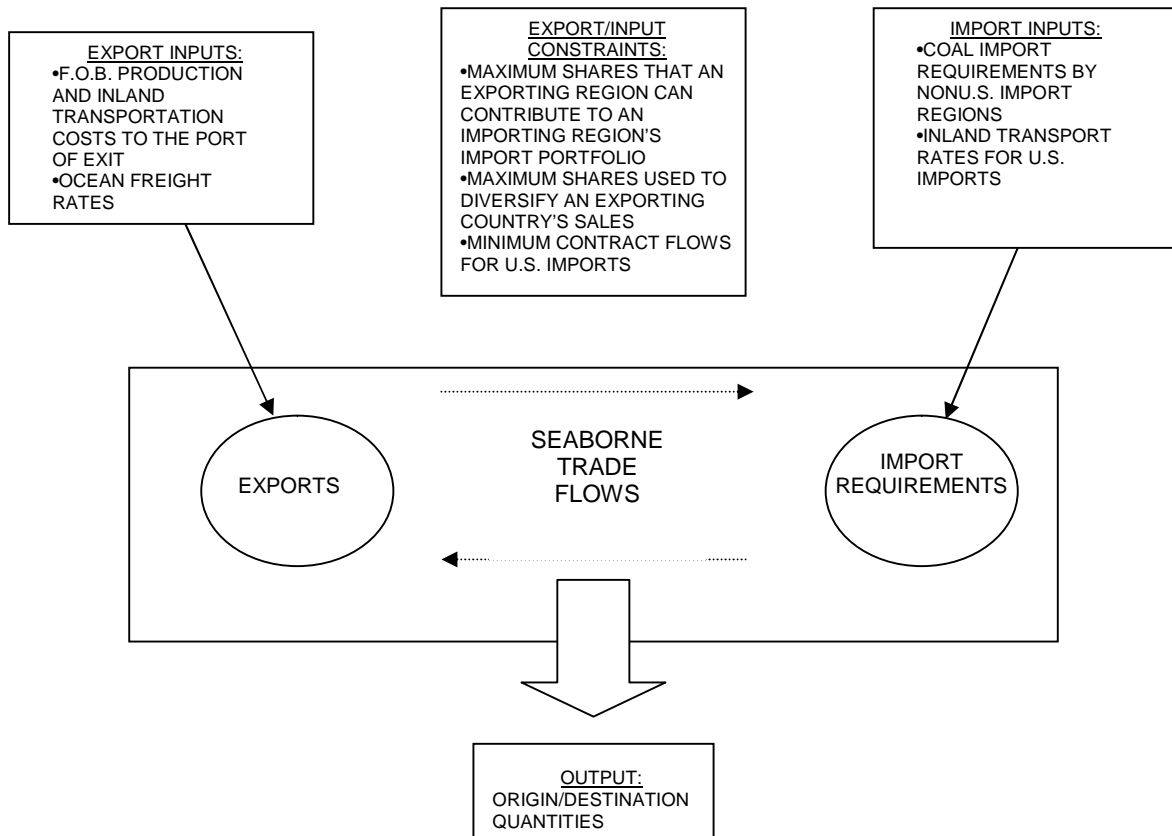
While a perfectly competitive market is the basic underlying assumption used for modeling international coal trade in the CMM, the model solution is subject to a number of key constraints:

- Export capacity of export regions
- Maximum share that any importing region can take from one exporting region. Coal buyers (importing regions) will tend to spread their purchases among several suppliers in order to reduce the impact of supply disruption, even though this will add to their purchase costs.
- Maximum share that any exporting region will sell to one importing region. Coal producers (exporting regions) will choose not to rely on any one buyer, and will diversify their sales.
- Sulfur dioxide emission limits for U.S. imports. U.S. coal imports are subject to SO₂ emission regulations as set forth under CAAA90 and CAIR. This is modeled by intersecting emissions from thermal imports in the electricity sector with the sulfur dioxide emissions constraint in the domestic component of the CDS
- Mercury emission limits for U.S. coal imports. U.S. imports are subject to U.S. mercury emission regulations as set forth under CAMR. This is modeled by intersecting emissions from thermal imports in the electricity sector with the mercury row constraint in the domestic component of the CDS.
- Minimum (“contract”) flows for U.S. imports. These minimum flows are based on coal receipts data for existing U.S. power plants collected on Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Form 423, “Monthly Report of Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants” and the Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-423, “Monthly Cost and Quality of Fuels for Electric Plants Report.”

Model Structure

The international component of the CDS is specified as part of the overall CDS Linear Program (LP). It satisfies import requirements at all points at the minimum overall "world" coal cost plus transportation cost (Figure 3.3). From the output of the model it is possible to determine an optimum pattern of supply.

Figure 3.3. Overview of the International Component of the CDS



The geographical representation of the "world" is a set of coal export regions (Table 3.2) and coal import regions (Table 3.3). Each coal export region has a quantity of coal available for export, in which this amount available is price dependent. The cost associated with each quantity of coal available for export is inclusive of: (1) mining costs; (2) representative coal preparation costs, which vary according to export region, coal type, and end-use market; and (3) inland transportation costs (prior to export). This model is driven by fixed (input) coal import requirements for all regions except the U.S. For the U.S., import requirements are derived endogenously, i.e. determined by the model. Diversity constraints limit the portion of a region's imports, by sector that can be met by each of the individual export regions. If utilized, subbituminous constraints can limit the amount of subbituminous coal that a specific region can import. Each import region may also be restricted to a certain level of sulfur dioxide emissions. Importing countries may be constrained by a maximum expectation of high sulfur coal as a share of their total imports. In scenarios where emissions limits for SO₂, mercury, and/or carbon dioxide are specified for the U.S., imports are also subject to those constraints. Minimum contract constraints for U.S. imports

may also be specified. The linear program minimizes the costs associated with exporting coal from one region to an importing region while considering the constraints described above.

Appendix 3.A

Submodule Abstract

Model Name: Coal Distribution Submodule - International Component

Model Acronym: CDS

Description: The international component of the CDS projects coal trade flows from 17 coal-exporting regions (5 of which are in the United States) to 20 importing regions (4 of which are in the United States) for 3 coal types - premium bituminous, low-sulfur bituminous, and subbituminous. The model consists of exports, imports, trade flows, and transportation components. The major coal exporting countries represented include: the United States, Australia, South Africa, Canada, Indonesia, China, Colombia, Venezuela, Poland, Vietnam, and the countries of the Former Soviet Union. The CDS determines the optimal level of coal imports used to satisfy U.S. coal demand for the industrial and electricity sectors.

Purpose: Forecast international coal trade. Provide U.S. coal export and import forecasts to the domestic component of the Coal Distribution Submodule.

Model Update Information: December 2008

Part of Another Model: Yes, part of:

- Coal Market Module
- National Energy Modeling System

Model Interface: The model can interface with the following models:

- Coal Distribution Submodule – Domestic Component

Official Model Representative:

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Documentation:

- *Coal Export Submodule Component Design Report*, Energy Information Administration, April 1993.

- Energy Information Administration, *Model Documentation, Coal Market Module of the National Energy Modeling System*, DOE/EIA-M060(2009) (Washington, DC, June 2009).

Archive Media and Installation Manual:

NEMS09 - *Annual Energy Outlook 2009*

Energy System Described by the Model: World coal trade flows (Coking and Steam)

Coverage:

- **Geographic:** 17 export regions (5 of which are in the United States) and 20 import regions (4 of which are in the United States)
- **Time Unit/Frequency:** Each run represents a single forecast year. Model can be run for any forecast year for which input data are available.
- **Products:** Coking, low-sulfur bituminous coal, and subbituminous coal
- **Economic Sector(s):** Coking and steam

Modeling Features:

- **Model Structure:** Satisfies coal import requirements at the lowest cost given specified export supply curves and transportation.
- **Modeling Technique:** The model is a Linear Program (LP), which satisfies import requirements at all points at the minimum overall "world" coal cost plus transportation cost and is embedded within the Coal Market Module..
- **Special Features:** The model is designed for the analysis of legislation concerned with SO₂ emissions.
- **Input Data:**

Non-DOE sources—SSY Consultancy and Research, McCloskey Coal Information, Ltd., International Energy Agency. Published trade and business journal articles, including *Platts: International Coal Report*, *Energy Publishing: Coal Americas*, *Financial Times: International Coal Report*, *McCloskey Coal Report*, and *World Coal*.

- Coal Import Requirements (Non-U.S.)
- Coal Export Supply Curves
- Ocean Freight Rates
- Diversity Constraints
- Sulfur Emission Constraints
- Subbituminous and High-Sulfur Coal Constraints

DOE sources

- U.S. import inland transportation rates are imputed from similar distanced origin/destination pairs found in the domestic component of the CDS.
- Coal minimum historical flows (“contracts”) for electricity sector: (1) coal import regions; (2) international export regions; (3) contract historical volumes (trillion Btu); (4) contract profiles for each forecast year

Computing Environment: See *Integrating Module of the National Energy Modeling System*

Independent Expert Reviews Conducted:

- Kolstad, Charles D., "Report of Findings and Recommendations on EIA's Component Design Report Coal Export Submodule," prepared for the Energy Information Administration (Washington, DC, April 9, 1993).

Status of Evaluation Efforts Conducted by Model Sponsor: The international component of the CDS is a model developed for the National Energy Modeling System (NEMS) during the 1992-1993 period and revised in 1994. In 2005, the international component of the CDS was revised to include endogenous representation of U.S. imports. The version described in this abstract was used in support of the *Annual Energy Outlook 2009*. No subsequent evaluation effort has been made as of the date of this writing.

Appendix 3.B

Detailed Mathematical Description of the Model

The international component of the CDS is specified as part of the overall CDS Linear Program (LP). It satisfies import requirements at the minimum overall "world" coal cost plus transportation cost. The model output provides an optimum pattern of trade flows.

The geographical representation of the "world" is a set of coal export regions and coal import regions. Each coal export region has a quantity of coal available for export, in which this amount available is price dependent. The cost associated with each quantity of coal available for export is inclusive of: (1) mining costs; (2) representative coal preparation costs, which vary according to export region, coal type, and end-use market; and (3) inland transportation costs. For U.S. imports, an additional U.S. inland transportation rate is specified. This represents the cost of moving the imported coal from its port of entry to its point of consumption. The model is driven by fixed (input) coal non-U.S. import requirements. For the first time in *AEO2006*, the CDS was modified to allow U.S. import requirements to be endogenously determined. The import requirements must be satisfied at the minimum overall cost.

The mathematical specification for the international coal trade optimization program incorporates the following modeling enhancements. The capability of accounting for changes in exchange rates over time is provided for by allowing for the vertical adjustment of coal export supply curves. The reduced cost of supplying coking quality coal to the steam coal market, based on a reduction in coal preparation requirements, is provided for through the adjustment of ocean transportation costs for shipments of coking quality coal to the steam coal market. The model can account for limits on total SO₂ emissions by coal import region through the incorporation of a model constraint. A restriction regarding the maximum permissible sulfur content of coal shipments to an import region as well as restrictions on total coal shipments by coal import region/coal export region pairs can be accounted for in the model as flow constraints, but it is not currently used in the *AEO2009*. In addition, changes in U.S. policies regarding emission limits for SO₂ and mercury and their impacts on U.S. coal imports can be represented. For *AEO2009*, minimum flow ("contract") constraints were added to the model structure for coal imports to the U.S. electricity sector.

Mathematical Formulation

The table of column activity definitions and row constraints defined in the international coal trade matrix incorporate assumptions described in Model Rationale in Section 3 and variable definitions which are described in this section. The general structure of the matrix is shown as a block diagram in Table 3.B-1.

The block diagram format depicts the matrix as made up of sub-matrices or blocks of similar variables, equations, and coefficients. The first column of Table 3.B-1 contains the description of the sets of equations and the equation number as defined later in this section. Subsequent columns define sets of variables for the production, transportation, import, and export of coal. The table column labeled "Row Type," shows the equations to be maximums, minimums, or equalities. Each block within the table is shown with representative coefficients for that block, most typically either a (+/-) 1.0. The last table column, labeled "RHS," an abbreviation for right-hand side, contains symbols that represent the constraint limits.

Objective Function

The goal of the objective function is to minimize delivered costs (i.e., minemouth production, preparation, and inland transportation costs plus freight transportation costs) for moving coal from international export regions to international import regions and has been defined as:

$$\sum_{i,s,t} PX_{i,s,t} * P_{i,s,t} + \sum_{i,j,t} TX_{i,j,t} * F_{i,j,t} + \sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} * T_{i,j,m,t,v,z} \quad (3.B-1)$$

(For the U.S., the objective function is linked to the U.S.'s domestic portion of the CDS's objective function primarily through the row constraints (3.B-2), (3.B-4)-(3.B-7), (3.B-17) and (3.B-19) described below. The U.S. production costs and inland transportation costs for U.S. domestically produced coal (for exports and domestic consumption) are not shown in (B-1) because they are accounted for in the domestic portion of the CDS documentation.) The mercury price cap, mercury escape vector, activated carbon vector, and carbon emission vectors are also not represented in (3.B-1) for the same reason.

The indexes for the objective function, the rows, and the columns are defined as:

Index Definitions

<u>Index Symbol</u>	<u>Description</u>
(i)	International supply regions for coal exports
(j)	International import regions
(k)	U.S. coal export sub-sectors (correspond to U.S. export sectors in domestic component of CDS)
(m)	U.S. domestic subsector, either plant type for the electricity sector or sector number for the industrial and metallurgical sectors
(s)	Step on curve for coal export supply curve for non-U.S. international export regions
(t)	International coal sector (thermal or coking)
(u)	U.S. export supply curve representing one of eight possible U.S. coal types (different combinations of rank, mining method, and sulfur content) in combination with one of 14 possible export regions
(v)	Activated carbon supply curve step
(z)	U.S. coal export sub-regions and U.S. coal import sub-regions. These sub-regions are equivalent to the demand regions in the domestic portion of the CDS and include: NE, YP, SA, GF, OH, EN, KT, AM, CW, WS, CU, MT, ZN, and PC.

Column Definitions

<u>Column Notation</u>	<u>Description</u>
EXP _i	Sum of coal exported from U.S. or non-U.S. international export region i.

$F_{i,s,t}$	Cost of freight transportation for coal from export region i to coal import region j for international coal sector t. This includes the freight costs for U.S.-sourced exports.
$IMP_{j,t}$	Sum of coal imported for international coal sector t to international import region j (U.S. or non-U.S.).
$P_{i,s,t}$	Cost from step s of the export supply curve for coal from export region i for international coal sector t. This applies for non-U.S. international import regions only.
$PX_{i,s,t}$	Quantity of coal from step s of export supply curve in non-U.S. export region i for international sector t.
$T_{i,j,m,t,v,z}$	Cost of inland transportation (within U.S.) for imported coal to the U.S. from export region i to coal international import region j, for U.S. domestic subsector m, for activated carbon supply curve step s, for international coal sector t, and U.S. domestic coal import region z.
$TX_{i,j,t}$	Quantity of coal transported from U.S. or non-U.S. export region i to import region j for international sector t.
$UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z}$	Quantity of coal imported into the U.S. from export region i to coal international import region j, for U.S. domestic subsector m, for activated carbon supply curve step s, for international coal sector t, and U.S. domestic coal import region z.
$UX_{k,z}$	Quantity of coal exported for U.S. export sub-sector k from U.S. coal export sub-region z.
$Qt_{k,u,z}$	Quantity of coal from U.S. export supply curve u transported to U.S. coal export sub-region z and U.S. export sub-sector k.

Row Constraints

The rows interact with the columns to define the feasible region of the LP and are defined below:

U.S. IMPORTS STRUCTURE ONLY

U.S. IMPORT

$$\text{EQUATIONS: non-imported coal} + \sum_{i,v} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} = D_{j,m,t,z} \quad (3.B-2)$$

where,

$D_{j,m,t,z}$ represents the U.S. coal imports for coal import region j, U.S. subsector m, for international coal sector t, and for U.S. domestic coal demand region z.

Definition: Specifies the level of coal imports by import region j that must be satisfied for domestic coal subsector m.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: D.(DR)(PT), D.(DR)I(SN) and D.(DR)M(SN)

BALANCE OF U.S. INLAND TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT TO U.S.

$$\text{EQUATIONS: } TX_{i,j,t} - \sum_{m,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} = 0 \quad (3.B-3)$$

Definition: For j equal to U.S. importing regions, the row balances coal freighted to U.S. international import region j from international (non-U.S.) export region i for international sector t (thermal or coking).
CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: TTU(UP)(ISR)XX and TCU(UP)(ISR)XX

SULFUR DIOXIDE EMISSION RESTRICTION

EQUATIONS: SO_2 emissions from non-imported coal + $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} [S_{i,t} * UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z}] - S = 0$ (3.B-4)

Definition: For t equal to thermal coal, and for the subscript m representing electricity subsectors only, this row restricts the sulfur dioxide levels of coal in the U.S. electricity sector such that the sulfur dioxide emissions limit, “S,” is met and “s” equals the sulfur dioxide content of the coal. For more detail on sulfur dioxide emissions from non-imported coal, see “2. Coal Distribution Submodule – Domestic Component.”

CORRESPONDING ROW IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: SULFPEN1 and SULFPEN2

MERCURY EMISSION RESTRICTION

EQUATIONS:

mercury emissions from non-imported coal + $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} [m_{i,t} * UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z}] - H - \text{escape vector quantity} = M$ (3.B-5)

Definition: For relevant years, for t equal to thermal coal, and for subscript m representing electricity subsectors only, this row limits the quantity of mercury present in coal (adjusted with the plant removal rate and use of activated carbon to be less than or equal to the coal mercury emissions limit, “M”. Some alternative mercury scenarios may cap the compliance costs. In these scenarios, additional “allowances” are available at the allowance cap. “H” is the volume of additional allowances purchased at the cap price. Escape vectors are not active in the final solution but allow feasibility to be maintained in early iterations. For more detail on mercury emissions from non-imported coal, see “2. Coal Distribution Submodule – Domestic Component.”

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: MERCP01

ACTIVATED CARBON SUPPLY CURVE EQUATIONS

EQUATIONS:

activated carbon used with non-imported coal + $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} [a_{p,v} * UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z}] - 10 * \sum_v A_v = 0$
(3.B-6)

Definition: Balances the activated carbon used in association with the electricity sector transportation vectors with the activated carbon supply curves. For more detail on activated carbon use from non-imported coal, see “2. Coal Distribution Submodule – Domestic Component.”

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: ACIXXXXY

CARBON TAX

EQUATIONS:

carbon emissions from non-imported coal + $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} [C_{i,m} * UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z}] - C = 0$ (3.B-7)

Definition: Balances the carbon emissions, “C”, associated with the electricity sector transportation vectors with the carbon emissions being “paid for” with the carbon penalty price. For more detail on carbon emissions from non-imported coal, see “2. Coal Distribution Submodule – Domestic Component.”

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: CARBONXX

HISTORICAL FLOW CONSTRAINTS:

MINIMUM IMPORT EQUATION: $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} \leq T_1$ (3.B-8)

Definition: Sets minimum value (T_1) for all U.S. imports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: IMPSTMIN

MAXIMUM IMPORT EQUATION: $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} \leq T_2$ (3.B-9)

Definition: Sets maximum value (T_2) for all U.S. imports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: IMPSTMAX

MINIMUM METALLURGICAL IMPORT EQUATION: $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} \leq T_3$ (3.B-10)

Definition: For subscript t set equal to coking coal and m representing metallurgical subsectors only, sets minimum value (T_3) for metallurgical imports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: IMPMETSW

MINIMUM INDUSTRIAL IMPORT EQUATION: $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} \leq T_4$ (3.B-11)

Definition: For subscript t set equal to thermal coal and m representing industrial subsectors only, sets minimum value (T_4) for industrial imports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: IMPINDSW

MINIMUM ELECTRICITY IMPORT EQUATION: $\sum_{i,j,m,t,v,z} UI_{i,j,m,t,v,z} \leq T_5 \text{ or } T_6$ (3.B-12)

Definition: For subscript t set equal to thermal coal, m representing electricity subsectors only, sets minimum value (T_5 for scrubbed or T_6 for unscrubbed plants) for electricity imports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: F(ISR)(DR)II AND C(ISR)(DR)II

WORLD COAL TRADE ROWS

NON-U.S. PRODUCTION/SHIPPING BALANCE (3.B-13)

EQUATIONS: $\sum_s PX_{i,s,t} - \sum_j TX_{i,j,t} = 0$

Definition: Balance of coal produced in international (non-U.S.) export region i with the coal shipped from export region i for international sector t (thermal or coking).

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: SXX(ISR)(IDR)T and SXX(ISR)(IDR)C

NON-U.S. IMPORT (3.B-14)

EQUATIONS: $\sum_i TX_{i,j,t} = D_{j,t}$

where,

$D_{j,t}$ represents the coal imports for import region j for international coal sector t.

Definition: Specifies the level of coal import requirement by import region j that must be satisfied for international coal sector t (thermal or coking).

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: DX(IDR)T and DX(IDR)C

U.S. AND NON-U.S. FREIGHT/IMPORT BALANCE (3.B-15)

EQUATIONS: $\sum_i TX_{i,j,t} - IMP_{j,t} = 0$

Definition: Balance of total coal imported to international import regions j with quantity freighted to import region j for international sector t.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: BDX.(IDR)(IS)

U.S. AND NON-U.S. IMPORT (3.B-16)

EQUATIONS: $TX_{i,j,t} - IC_{i,j,t} * IMP_{j,t} < 0$

Definition: Import constraint specifying that only a certain share of imports for an import region j can come from export region i.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: VI(IDR)(IS)(ISR)

U.S. AND NON-U.S. PRODUCTION/EXPORT BALANCE

EQUATIONS: $a\sum_s PX_{i,s,t} + b\sum_{k,z} UX_{k,z} - EXP_{i,t} = 0,$ (3.B-17)

where $a = 0$ and $b = 1$, for U.S.; $a = 1$ and $b = 0$ for non-U.S.; and where k is a subset of t .

Definition: Balance of coal produced for export from international export region i with total exported from i for international sector t .

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: BSXUS and BSX(ISR)

U.S. EXPORT BALANCE

EQUATIONS: $\sum_{k,z} UX_{k,z} - \sum_j TX_{i,j,t} = 0,$ (3.B-18)

where z is a subset of i and k is a subset of t .

Definition: Balance of total U.S. coal transported overseas with U.S. coal exported. The U.S. export requirement is bounded. The bounds assumed are based on historical levels of exports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: SDX(UXSR)(UXS)

U.S. EXPORT BALANCE

EQUATIONS: $\sum_u QT_{k,u,z} - UX_{k,z} = 0$ (3.B-19)

Definition: Balance of coal transported within U.S. from U.S. coal supply curves to meet export requirements from U.S. export sub-regions z and U.S. export sub-sectors k . The U.S. export requirements are bounded. The bounds are based on historical levels of exports.

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: D.(UXSR)X(UXS)

U.S. AND NON-U.S. EXPORT CONSTRAINT

EQUATIONS: $TX_{i,j,t} - EC_{i,j,t} * EXP_i < 0$ (3.B-20)

Definition: Export constraint limiting the amount of export coal from an international export region i that can be shipped to a particular import region j .

CORRESPONDING ROWS IN BLOCK DIAGRAM: VE(ISR)(IDR)(IS)

Table 3.B-2. Row and Column Structure of the International Component of the Coal Market Module

Each column and row of the linear programming matrix is assigned a name identifying the activity or constraint that it represents. A mask defines the general or generic name of a set of related activities or constraints. For example, the mask 'PX(ISR)(IS)' defines the general name of all activities representing the production of coal from international export regions. The names of specific activities or constraints are formed by inserting into the mask appropriate members of notational sets identified by the mask. For instance, the production of coal in Australia is defined as PX(AS)(T).

<u>MASK</u>	<u>ROW OR COLUMN</u>	<u>ACTIVITY REPRESENTED</u>
ACIXSS(STEPS)Y	Column	Volume of activated carbon (in pounds) injected to reduce mercury emissions; column bounds on this vector are present specifying how much activated carbon is available at each step
ACIXXXXY	Column	Assigns activated carbon requirement (pounds of activated carbon per trillion Btu) for each activated carbon step in transportation column
BDX(IDR)(IS)	Row	Imports balance row for international import region (IDR) for international coal sector (IS)
BSX(ISR)	Row	Export balance row for export region (ISR)
BSXUS	Row	Balance row for U.S. exports
CARBONXX	Column	Assigns carbon tax to coal in carbon scenario and influences patterns of coal use in electricity sector
CARBONXX	Row	Assigns carbon content to electricity sector transportation columns
C(ISR)(DR)II	Row	Sets minimum level for U.S. electricity imports for unscrubbed plants by export region (ISR) to U.S. demand region (DR)
D.(DR)I(SN)	Row	Coal demand from demand region (DR) for industrial sector, I, and sector number (SN)
D.(DR)M(SN)	Row	Coal demand from demand region (DR) for metallurgical sector, M, and sector number (SN)
D.(DR)(PT)	Row	Coal demand from demand region (DR) for electricity plant types (PT)
D.(UXSR)X(UXS)	Row	Export balance row for U.S. export sub-region (UXSR) of U.S. export sub-sector (UXS)
DX.(IDR)C	Row	Import row for import region (IDR) and international coking coal sector
DX.(IDR)T	Row	Import row for import region (IDR) and international thermal coal sector
EXP(ISR)	Column	Sum of exports from export region (ISR)
F(ISR)(DR)II	Row	Sets minimum level for U.S. electricity imports for scrubbed plants by export region (ISR) to U.S. demand region (DR)
IMP(IDR)(IS)	Column	Sum of imports from import region (IDR) for international coal sector (IS)

<u>MASK</u>	<u>ROW OR COLUMN</u>	<u>ACTIVITY REPRESENTED</u>
IMPINDSW	Row	Sets minimum level for industrial imports for a given year
IMPMETSW	Row	Sets minimum level for metallurgical imports for a given year
IMPSTMAX	Row	Sets maximum level for total imports for a given year
IMPSTMIN	Row	Sets minimum level for total imports for a given year
MERCEV	Column	Provides upper bound for mercury allowance price
MERCP01	Row	Mercury penalty constraint for electricity sector
MOREHGXX	Column	Escape vector allowing more mercury to be emitted if tight mercury constraint causes infeasibility. Not active in final solution.
OII(SN)(ISR)T(DR)	Column	U.S. import volume transported within the U.S. for use in the industrial steam sector
OIM(SN)(ISR)C(DR)	Column	U.S. import volume transported within the U.S. for in the metallurgical sector
PX.(ISR)(IS)(STEPS)	Column	Supply of exports for non-U.S. international export region (ISR) for international coal sector (IS) and supply curve step (STEPS)
SDX(UXSR)(UXS)	Row	Row balancing the sum of coal transported from the export subsectors (UXS) from the international U.S. export region (UXSR) with the total exported from the U.S. export region (UXSR)
SULFPEN1	Row	Sulfur penalty constraint for the east for electricity sector
SULFPEN2	Row	Sulfur penalty constraint for the west for electricity sector
SXX(ISR)(IDR)C	Row	Row balancing the supply of coal exports from international export region (ISR) to international import region (IDR) for coking coal
SXX(ISR)(IDR)T	Row	Row balancing the supply of coal exports from international export region (ISR) to international import region (IDR) for thermal coal
TCU(UP)(ISR)XX	Row	Row balancing the quantity of imported coking coal transported inland from U.S. port (UP) from international export region (ISR) to that freighted to the port from international export region (ISR)
TTU(UP)(ISR)XX	Row	Row balancing the quantity of imported thermal coal transported inland from U.S. port (UP) from international export region (ISR) to that freighted to the port from international export region (ISR)

<u>MASK</u>	<u>ROW OR COLUMN</u>	<u>ACTIVITY REPRESENTED</u>
T(USR)(UXSR)X(UXS)(CT)	Column	U.S. export volume transported internally from U.S. export regions - where coal is produced - (USR) to U.S. export sub-regions (UXSR) for U.S. export sub-sectors for coal type (CT)
TX(DR)X(UXS)(IDR)(IS)	Column	U.S. export transportation volume from U.S. export sub-region (DR), to international import region (IDR), for U.S. export sub-sector (UXS), for international export sector (IS)
TX(ISR)-(IDR)(IS)	Column	Export volume transported from non-U.S. export region (ISR) to international import region (IDR) for international export sector (IS)
UX(UXSR)-X(UXS)	Column	Export volume for U.S. export sub-region (UXSR) and U.S. export sub-sector (UXS). Export volume must lie between an upper and lower bound derived from historical volumes.
VE(ISR)(IDR)(IS)	Row	Diversity export constraint on international export region (ISR) to import region (IDR) for international export sector (IS)
VI(IDR)(IS)(ISR)	Row	Diversity import constraint on import region (IDR) for international export sector (IS) from export region (ISR)

where,

CT U.S. DOMESTIC COAL TYPE (CT's pairing with a U.S. supply region designates the supply curve and rank.)

- 1 LOW SULFUR AND UNDERGROUND MINING METHOD
- 2 MEDIUM SULFUR AND UNDERGROUND MINING METHOD
- 3 HIGH SULFUR AND UNDERGROUND MINING METHOD
- 4 LOW SULFUR AND SURFACE MINING METHOD
- 5 MEDIUM SULFUR AND SURFACE MINING METHOD
- 6 HIGH SULFUR AND SURFACE MINING METHOD
- 7 METALLURGICAL COAL
- 8 WASTE COAL OR MISSISSIPPI LIGNITE

DR or UXSR U.S. EXPORT SUB-REGIONS AND/OR U.S. IMPORT REGIONS

NE CONNECTICUT, MASSACHUSETTS, MAINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE, RHODE ISLAND, VERMONT

YP NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, NEW JERSEY

SA WEST VIRGINIA, DELAWARE, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA

GF GEORGIA, FLORIDA

OH OHIO

EN ILLINOIS, INDIANA, MICHIGAN, WISCONSIN

KT KENTUCKY, TENNESSEE

AM ALABAMA, MISSISSIPPI

CW MINNESOTA, IOWA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA, NEBRASKA, KANSAS, MISSOURI

WS TEXAS, OKLAHOMA, ARKANSAS, LOUISIANA

MT	MONTANA, WYOMING, IDAHO
CU	COLORADO, UTAH, NEVADA
ZN	ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO
PC	ALASKA, HAWAII, WASHINGTON, OREGON, CALIFORNIA

IDR INTERNATIONAL IMPORT REGIONS

NE	East Coast Canada
NI	Interior Canada
SC	Scandinavia
BT	United Kingdom, Ireland
GY	Germany, Austria
OW	Other Northern Europe
PS	Iberian Peninsula
IT	Italy (thermal and coking)
RM	E. Europe and Mediterranean
MX	Mexico
LA	South America
JA	Japan
EA	East Asia
CH	China, Hong Kong
AS	ASEAN
IN	Indian Subcontinent, S. Asia
UE	US Eastern
UG	US Gulf
UI	US Interior
UN	US Noncontiguous

IS INTERNATIONAL COAL SECTORS

C	Coking
T	Thermal

ISR INTERNATIONAL EXPORT REGIONS

NA	Canada (alternate for Canada)
NW or W	West Coast Canada
NI or N	Interior Canada (thermal only)
CL or C	Colombia (thermal only)
VZ or Z	Venezuela (thermal only)
PO or P	Poland
RE or E	Former Soviet Union (exports to Europe)
RA or R	Former Soviet Union (exports to Asia)
SF or S	South Africa
IN or I	Indonesia
HI or H	China
AU or A	Australia
VT or T	Vietnam
US	US
UA	US All
UG	US Gulf
UI	US Interior
UN	US Noncontiguous
UW	US West coast

UE US East coast

PT **PLANT TYPE** (see CDS – Domestic Component, page 68)

SN U.S. IMPORT SUB-SECTOR NUMBERS

- 1 – 3 FOR INDUSTRIAL IMPORTS
- 1 – 2 FOR METALLURGICAL IMPORTS

STEPS INTERNATIONAL EXPORT SUPPLY CURVE STEPS or ACTIVATED CARBON STEP

- 1 Step 1
- 2 Step 1
- 3 Step 3
- 4 Step 4
- 5 Step 5
- 6 Step 6
- 7 Step 7
- 8 Step 8
- 9 Step 9
- 0 Step 10

UP U.S. PORT REGION

- G US Gulf
- I US Interior
- N US Noncontiguous
- E US East coast

USR U.S. COAL SUPPLY REGIONS

- NA PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO, MARYLAND, WEST VIRGINIA (NORTH)
- CA WEST VIRGINIA (SOUTH), KENTUCKY (EAST), VIRGINIA, TENNESSEE (NORTH)
- SA ALABAMA, TENNESSEE (SOUTH)
- EI ILLINOIS, INDIANA, KENTUCKY (WEST), MISSISSIPPI
- WI IOWA, MISSOURI, KANSAS, OKLAHOMA, ARKANSAS, TEXAS (BITUMINOUS)
- GL TEXAS (LIGNITE), LOUISIANA
- DL NORTH DAKOTA, MONTANA (LIGNITE)
- WM WESTERN MONTANA (SUBBITUMINOUS)
- NW WYOMING, NORTHERN POWDER RIVER BASIN (SUBBITUMINOUS)
- SW WYOMING, SOUTHERN POWDER RIVER BASIN (SUBBITUMINOUS)
- WW WESTERN WYOMING (SUBBITUMINOUS)
- RM COLORADO, UTAH
- ZN ARIZONA, NEW MEXICO
- AW WASHINGTON, ALASKA

UXS U.S. EXPORT SECTORS

- 1 Metallurgical Export 1
- 2 Metallurgical Export 2
- 3 Metallurgical Export 3
- 4 Steam 1 Export
- 5 Steam 2 Export
- 6 Steam 3 Export

USXR U.S. EXPORT SUB-REGIONS AND/OR U.S. IMPORT REGIONS
See DR.

Appendix 3.C

Inventory of Input Data, Parameter Estimates, and Model Outputs

Model Inputs

The inputs required by the international component of the CDS are divided into two main groups: user-specified inputs and inputs provided by other NEMS components. The required user-specified inputs are listed in Table 3.C-1. In addition to identifying each input, this table indicates the variable name used to refer to the input in this report, the units for the input, and the level of detail at which the input needs to be specified.

The user-specified inputs to the international component of the CDS are contained in six different input files. These files and their contents are listed below.

CLEXSUP. This file contains the step-function coal export supply curves for all non-U.S. export regions. The first column contains the international export region and step identifier. The next seven columns contain the variables:

- 1) FOBYR, the export FOB price of coal (minemouth price plus inland transportation cost) in 1992 dollars per metric ton for 1992;
- 2) CAPYR, the estimated coal export capacity in million metric tons for 1992;
- 3) CV, the heat content in thousand Btus per pound for all forecast years;
- 4) SULCON, the sulfur content in percent sulfur by weight for all forecast years;
- 5) IMPMERC, the mercury content in pounds per trillion Btu;
- 6) IMPCO2, the carbon dioxide content in pounds of carbon dioxide per million Btu; and
- 7) SCALAR, a scalar that permits the user to adjust the international coal export supply curves over time at rates that vary from the price path for U.S. export coal.

The remaining columns contain estimates of export prices (FOBYR) and capacities (CAPYR) for each of the coal export supply steps represented in the CDS for the remaining forecast years (typically specified at 5-year intervals).

Some additional calculations are required to convert input data from the file to units consistent with the linear program. They include:

- Conversion of FOBYR to 1987 dollars per trillion Btu using the following calculation:
$$\text{FOBYR} * 12.6 \text{ thousand Btu per pound of coal equivalent} / \text{CV} * 1987 \text{ GDP deflator} / 1992 \text{ GDP deflator} / 27.78 \text{ mmBtu per metric ton of coal equivalent}$$

or equivalently,
$$\text{FOBYR} * 1987 \text{ GDP deflator} / 1992 \text{ GDP deflator} / 2204.623 \text{ pounds per metric ton} / \text{CV} * 10^3$$
- Conversion of CAPYR, coal export capacity, to trillion Btu using the following calculation:
$$\text{CAPYR} * \text{CV} / 12.6 \text{ thousand Btu per pound of coal equivalent} * 27.78 \text{ mmBtu per metric ton of coal equivalent}$$

or equivalently,

CAPYR * 2204.623 pounds per metric ton * CV / 10³.

- Conversion of SULCON to thousand tons of SO₂ per trillion Btu by the following calculation:

SULCON * 10.0 / CV.

- Conversion of IMPCO2 to million metric tons of carbon per quadrillion Btu by the following calculation:

IMPCO2 * 12.0 / 44.0 / 2.204623

or equivalently,

IMPCO2 * 12.0 / 44.0 / 2204.623 pounds per metric ton * 10³.

CLEXPDEM. This file contains the non-U.S. coal import requirements (variable: DEMAND) by international CDS import region and sector for the years 1990 through 2030 (typically specified at 5-year intervals). The first column in the file indicates the year for the import requirements contained in each row of the file. The remaining columns contain the coal import requirements in million metric tons of coal equivalent for each specific combination of international CDS import region (including the U.S.) and demand sector (e.g., JAC represents coking coal imports to Japan, and JAT represents thermal coal imports to Japan). Prior to use in the LP, the import requirements are converted to trillion Btu by the following calculation: DEMAND * 27.78 million Btu per metric ton of coal equivalent

CLEXFRT. This file contains a matrix of ocean transportation rates (variable: FREIGHT) for coal shipments. The transportation rates are specified by international CDS import region, export region, and demand sector (coking and thermal). Each column heading represents a specific international CDS import region, and each row represents a specific combination of international CDS export region and demand sector. The rates are specified in 1992 dollars per metric ton. Prior to use in the LP, the ocean transportation rates are converted to 1987 dollars per million Btu.

This file also contains inland transportation rates (variable: INLANDTR), in 1987 dollars per short ton, for U.S. imports. These rates represent the transportation cost from the initial import entry to the U.S. coal import region and are specified by the electricity, industrial, and metallurgical sectors. This file also allows includes optional switches to set minimum and/or maximum import levels. If a switch is equal to "1", the minimum/maximum constraint is in use.

CLEXEXS. This file contains international requirements for U.S. coal export levels for the historical and *Short-Term Energy Outlook* years of the forecast.²⁵ Each row includes five indices at the left followed by a set of numbers representing annual U.S. coal exports in trillion Btu for the years 1990 through 2009. From left to right these indices are (1) the domestic CDS demand region, (2) the international CDS demand sector, (3) the domestic CDS economic subsector, (4) the CDS coal group from which supplies may be drawn (The organization of "coal groups" is explained in the discussion of the "CLPARAMS" input file in Appendix 2.C of Section 2 of the CMM Model Documentation), and (5) the international coal export region to which they pertain.

CLEXIMS. This file contains the coal import diversity constraints specified as percent of the total coal imports. Each column heading represents a specific combination of international CDS import region and

²⁵ In general, the Energy Information Administrations *Short-Term Energy Outlook* provides forecasts of U.S. coal exports for the period extending two years beyond the most recently published set of annual historical data.

demand sector (coking and thermal), and each row represents a specific international CDS export region. The constraints limit the portion of an import region's import requirement by sector that can be met by each of the individual export regions. For example, an input of 40 for the JAT import region/sector and US export region combination indicates that only 40 percent of Japan's annual imports of thermal coal can be met by U.S. coal suppliers.

CLEXSO2. This file contains the constraints for high-sulfur coal, subbituminous coal, and sulfur dioxide emissions. The first column of the file identifies the specific constraints as follows: **High Sulfur Percent** (variable: HSPCT): portion of an international CDS import region's thermal coal import requirement that can be met by high-sulfur coal; **Subbituminous Percent:** portion of an international CDS import region's thermal coal import requirement that can be met by subbituminous coal; **Percent Low-Sulfur Coal Scrubbed:** portion of an international CDS import region's low-sulfur coal import requirement that is scrubbed; **Percent High-Sulfur Coal Scrubbed:** portion of an international CDS import region's high-sulfur coal import requirement that is scrubbed; **Sulfur Cap:** cap on sulfur dioxide emissions specified in thousand metric tons. The remaining columns contain the corresponding data for each of the constraints for each international CDS import region. These constraints were not used for the *AEO2009* forecasts.

CLCONT. See Section 2's Appendix 2.C.

Model Outputs

The international component of the CDS provides annual forecasts of U.S. coal exports and imports to the domestic distribution area of the NEMS Coal Market Module. The key output from international area of the CDS, listed in Table 3.C-2, is world coal trade flows by coal export region/coal import region/coal type/coal demand sector (in trillion Btu). Conversion factors convert output from trillion Btu to short tons for report writing purposes.

Table 3.C-1. User-Specified Inputs

CDS Variable	Input	Specification Level ^a	Input Units
CAPYR	Coal export capacity	Coal export region/coal sector/export supply curve step/forecast year	Million metric tons
CV	Btu conversion assignment for coal export supply curve	Coal export region/coal sector/export supply curve step	Thousand Btu per pound of coal
DEMAND	Coal import requirement (Non-U.S.)	Coal import region/coal demand sector/forecast year	Million metric tons of coal equivalent
EXPSHARE	Exporter diversity constraints	Coal export region/coal import region	Percentage
FOBYR	Coal export prices (FOB port of exit)	Coal export region/coal sector/export supply curve step/forecast year	1992 dollars per metric ton
FREIGHT	Ocean freight rates	Coal export region/coal import region/coal sector/coal demand sector	1992 dollars per metric ton
HSMAX ^b	Maximum share of high-sulfur coal imports	Coal import region/forecast year	Fraction
HSPCT ^b	SO ₂ emissions "pass-through" rate	Coal import region/coal demand sector/forecast year	Fraction
INLANDTR	Inland coal transportation rates for U.S. coal imports	U.S. sector/U.S. domestic demand region/international export region/U.S. port of entry	1987 dollars per short ton
IMPMERC ^c	Mercury content assignment for coal export supply curve	Coal export region/coal type	Pounds of mercury per trillion Btu
IMPSHARE	Importer diversity constraints	Coal export region/coal import region	Percentage
IMPCO ₂ ^c	Carbon dioxide content assignment for coal export supply curve	Coal export region/coal type	Pounds of CO ₂ per million Btu
LSPCT ^b	SO ₂ emissions "pass-through" rate	Coal import region/coal demand sector/forecast year	Fraction
MAXSUL ^b	Limit on total SO ₂ emissions for international trade	Coal import region/forecast region	Thousand metric tons
SCALINT	Price adjustment factor for non-U.S. export supply curves	Coal export region/coal type/export supply curve step/forecast year	Scalar
SUBMAX ^b	Maximum share of subbituminous coal imports	Coal import region/forecast year	Fraction
SULCON ^c	Sulfur content assignment for coal export supply curve	Coal export region/coal type	Thousand metric tons of SO ₂ emissions per metric ton of coal equivalent

^aFor example, inputs specified at the coal export region/coal sector/forecast year level require separate values for each export region, coal type, and forecast.

^bThese variables are not currently used.

^cUsed for U.S. imports.

Table 3.C-2. Outputs

Input	CDS Variable	Specification Level ^a	Units
World coal trade flows	SOLVAL	Coal export region/coal import region/coal sector/coal demand sector/forecast year	Trillion Btu

Appendix 3.D

Data Quality and Estimation

Non-U.S. Coal Import Requirements are import volumes specified by CDS international coal import region and demand sector (coking and thermal). Annual import requirements are assumed to be equal to domestic coal demand less domestic supply (domestic production minus exports). In the CDS, non-U.S. coal import requirements by region and international import sector are an exogenous input, and are typically specified at 5-year intervals. Published information such as announced and planned additions/retirements of coal-fired generating plants, coke plants, and coal mining capacity are used to adjust the annual input data for coal import requirements. Annual coal import requirements for the years not specified in the CLEXDEM input file are determined by linear interpolation.

Coking coal requirements represent the consumption of coal at coke plants to produce coal coke. Coal coke is used primarily as a fuel and as a reducing agent in smelting iron ore in a blast furnace. Coal coke is also consumed at foundries and in the production of sinter. Thermal coal demands correspond to coal consumed for electricity generation, industrial applications (excluding the use of coking coal at coke plants), space heating in the commercial and residential sectors, and for the production of coal-based synthetic gas and liquids. The direct use of coal at blast furnaces for the manufacture of pig iron is also categorized as thermal coal demand.

Coal Export Supply Inputs are potential export supplies specified on a tranche-by-tranche (steps on supply curve) basis in the clexsup.txt input file to enable users to build up a stepped supply curve. Up to ten tranches are allowed for the major price sensitive suppliers. Coal qualities (sulfur, mercury, carbon dioxide and Btu content) cannot vary between tranches.

With each update of the *AEO*, the export FOB price of coal (FOBYR) for the international base year (2007) is updated on the basis of available data on average annual prices for coal exports and imports as reported by the EIA, the International Energy Agency, South Africa's Department of Minerals and Energy, and other statistical agencies and organizations. For international export supply regions and coal types where data for average annual coal export prices are either limited or unavailable, prices are updated on the basis of changes in reported prices for other coal export regions. Further adjustments are made to calibrate the model to base year trade flows.

The FOBYR and CAPYR variables together represent the supply curves for each of the modeled supply regions. For the base year, the paired variables represent estimates of current coal supply potential while projection years consider known capacity plans and capacity potential both in regards to mine capacity expansions (for exported coal), reserves, inland transportation upgrades, and port capacity upgrades or limitations. Limited availability and consistent sources of reliable international data present a difficulty in updating these assumptions. The update of these curves ultimately requires some judgment on the part of the modeler. In general, the slope of these supply curves is assumed to be similar to those of the United States. The SCALINT variable allows productivity assumptions to differ from those of the United States for the various supply curves. Assumptions about the elasticity of coal export supply for each exporting country determine the prices associated with steps on the supply curves representing new mine capacity. **International Freight Shipping Costs** start from a matrix of feasible export routes, and taking into account the maximum vessel sizes that can be handled at export and imports piers and through canals, a

matrix of maximum vessel sizes allowable on each route is generated. Freight rates are then calculated on the basis of route distance and vessel size, using the following set of formulas:

Handysize (vessel size < 55,000 dwt)

$$\text{Rate (1992 dollars/tonne)} = (2.5 + 1.5D) * (1992 \text{ GDP deflator}/1997 \text{ GDP deflator})$$

Panamax (vessel size \geq 55,000 but < 80,000 dwt)

$$\text{Rate (1992 dollars/tonne)} = (1.2 + 1.3D) * (1992 \text{ GDP deflator}/1997 \text{ GDP deflator})$$

Capesize (vessel size \geq 80,000 dwt)

$$\text{Rate (1992 dollars/tonne)} = (1.3 + 0.9D) * (1992 \text{ GDP deflator}/1997 \text{ GDP deflator})$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \text{distance in thousand nautical miles (1 nautical mile = 6076.115 feet)} \\ \text{tonne} &= \text{metric ton (2204.623 pounds)} \\ \text{dwt} &= \text{deadweight ton (2240 pounds)} \end{aligned}$$

Users can adjust freight rates using an add-factor matrix to take account of backhaul savings, canal tolls, slow unloading terms, etc. This add-factor matrix incorporates a \$2.00/t "washery credit" which is subtracted from every freight rate between a coking coal supplier and a thermal coal buyer.

U.S. Import Inland Transportation Rates for origin (port of entry) and destination (domestic coal demand regions) pairs are estimated using information about domestic shipping rates for comparable distances. Transportation rates were also adjusted in order to improve estimates of historical import volumes.

Appendix 3.E

Optimization and Modeling Library (OML) Subroutines and Functions

This appendix provides a summary of the OML routines that are called by the CDS to set up the database, revise coefficients, solve the LP model, and retrieve the solution. OML is a proprietary software package developed by KETRON Management Science.

DFOPEN:	Opens the data file for the LP problem
DFPINIT:	Initializes processing of the LP problem in the current database
DFMINIT:	Initializes a database for matrix processing
DFMEND:	Terminates matrix processing
DFCLOSE:	Terminates processing of a database file
WFDEF:	Defines the model space for the LP problem
WFLOAD:	Loads the matrix for the LP problem into memory
WFINSRT:	Loads the starting basis for the LP problem
WFOPT:	Optimizes the model
WFPUNCH:	Saves the current basis into a standard format file
DFMRRHS:	Retrieves a right-hand side value
DFMCRHS:	Creates or changes a right-hand side value
DFMRBND:	Retrieves a bound value
DFMCBND:	Creates or changes a bound value
DFMCVAL:	Creates or changes a coefficient for a row/column intersection
DFMMVAL:	Changes a coefficient for row/column intersection if it exists
DFMCRTP:	Declares or changes the row type
WFSCOL:	Retrieves solution values (e.g., activity, input cost, reduced cost) for a column vector
WFSROW:	Retrieves solution values (e.g., activity, dual values) for a row
WFRNAME:	Retrieves a row name
WFCNAME:	Retrieves a column name.

Appendix 3.F

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